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# CITY OF SOMERVILLE CITY GOVERNMENT 2017

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CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS: *Maryann Heuston*, Robert McWatters, Dennis Sullivan, Mary Jo Rossetti, Lance Davis

FINANCE: *Tony Lafuente*, Maryann Heuston, Katjana Ballantyne, Matthew McLaughlin, William White HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: *Mark Niedergang*, Tony Lafuente, Katjana Ballantyne LAND USE: *Lance Davis*, Mark Niedergang, William White

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS: Mary Jo Rossetti, Mark Niedergang, Katjana Ballantyne, John Connolly, William White

LICENSES AND PERMITS: Dennis Sullivan, Maryann Heuston, John Connolly

PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY: John Connolly, Mary Jo Rossetti, Matthew McLaughlin

PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS: Robert McWatters, Tony Lafuente, Lance Davis

SENIOR SERVICES: John Connolly, Dennis Sullivan, William White

TRAFFIC AND PARKING: Robert McWatters, Matthew McLaughlin, Tony Lafuente

VETERANS AND PUBLIC SERVICES: Matthew McLaughlin, John Connolly, Dennis Sullivan

YOUTH SERVICES: Matthew McLaughlin, Mary Jo Rossetti, Katjana Ballantyne

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES** (*Chair listed first*, vice chair second):

FLOOD FORUM (SPECIAL): Maryann Heuston, Mark Niedergang, Robert McWatters

OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY (SPECIAL): Katjana Ballantyne, Robert McWatters, Mark

Niedergang, Lance Davis, Dennis Sullivan

RODENT ISSUES (SPECIAL): Maryann Heuston, Matthew McLaughlin, John Connolly

RULES (SPECIAL): William White, Lance Davis, Mary Jo Rossetti

## **COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:**

AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST: Mark Niedergang BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Maryann Heuston

CLEAN AND OPEN ELECTIONS TASK FORCE: Maryann Heuston

MAYOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON JOBS LINKAGE: Katjana Ballantyne

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MUNICIPAL BUILDING MASTER PLAN WORKING GROUP: Mark Niedergang

SOMERPROMISE ADVISORY BOARD: Mary Jo Rossetti

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POWDER HOUSE STUDIO INNOVATION COLLABORATIVE REPRESENTATIVE: Carrie Normand

SHORE COLLABORATIVE REPRESENTATIVE: Carrie Normand SHS BUILDING COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE: Steven Roix

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by Alderman At Large John M. Connolly

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Absent	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call Cal

202602 (ID:15313) Call of the Roll.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

2. Election By Ald. Sullivan

202603 Election of a President: Motion, that Alderman William A. White, Jr., be

(ID:15314) elected President of this Board for 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Lafuente

3. Election 202604

By Ald. Sullivan

(ID:15315)

Election of a Vice President: Motion, That Alderman Katjana Ballantyne be elected Vice President of this Board for 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Lafuente

#### RECESS FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

#### ADDRESSES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

4. Officer's School Committee Chair's Address.

Communication 202605 (ID:15321)

School Committee Chair Laura Pitone addressed the community.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

5. Officer's President's Address.

Communication 202606 (ID:15322)

Board of Aldermen President William A. White, Jr., addressed the

community.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

6. Mayor's State of the City Address.

Communication 202607

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone presented his State of the City Address.

(ID:15323) **RESULT: PLACED ON FILE** 

#### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Order By Ald. Rossetti

202608 That this Board adopts for 2017 the Rules of the Board as approved on January (ID:15316) 14, 2016.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Order By Ald. Connolly

202609 That this Board revives all business pending before this Board or its

(ID:15317) Committees at the end of 2016 and recommits the revived items back to this

Board or its proper Committees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order By Ald. Heuston

202610 That this Board directs that the bonds of the City Treasurer/Tax Collector be

(ID:15318) hereby accepted and approved.

10. Order By Ald. Niedergang

202611 That this Board authorizes the City Treasurer to appoint Deputy Tax

(ID:15319) Collectors.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

202612 In his capacity as President, conveying this Board's Standing and Special (ID:15325) Committee assignments and Commission appointments for 2017.

Commutee assignments and Commission appointments for 201

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

# **NEW BUSINESS**

12. Election 202613 (ID:15320)

Drawing of Seats for 2017.

#### RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Seat Assignments:

- 1. John M. Connolly
- 2. Mark Niedergang
- 3. Mary Jo Rossetti
- 4. Matthew McLaughlin
- 5. Dennis M. Sullivan
- 6. Lance L. Davis
- 7. Robert J. McWatters
- 8. Maryann M. Heuston
- 9. Tony Lafuente
- 10. Katjana Ballantyne
- 11. William A. White Jr

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

#### LATE ITEMS

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 202614 (ID:15361) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Leo Saltman. Alderman Rossetti held a moment of silence for Linda McGillicuddy and Eddie Rossetti. Alderman Niedergang held a moment of silence for Jean Corey.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202615 (ID:15362)

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of November 17, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of November 22, 2016.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 202616 (ID:15363) Submitted by Eversource to install 7 feet of conduit in Clyde Street from Pole 74/1 to a point of pickup at 8 Clyde Street. (Interim approval issued 12/9/16)

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Resolution 202617 (ID:15349)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the Administration advocate for sound barriers along I-93 in East

Somerville to help reduce air pollution by up to 50 percent.

Alderman McLaughlin said he has presented this Resolution every year since joining the Board, requesting sound barriers along I-93 in East Somerville and Winter Hill to help reduce air pollution by up to 50%. The State has not offered any help with the matter. He gave the phone numbers for, and urged calling, Governor Baker and the MA DOT. Alderman Sullivan thanked him for keeping up the fight.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

5. Resolution 202618 (ID:15350)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the Administration update this Board on the proposed Community Advisory Committee for Capital Improvement Projects and explain how it will interact with this Board.

Alderman McLaughlin expressed his interest in the Community Advisory Committee and how the Board will interact with them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

6. Order 202619 (ID:15351)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works not leave a pile of snow at the intersection of Pearl Street, Virginia Street and McGrath Highway, and inform the State of this request as well.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Order 202620 (ID:15352)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD, Director of Engineering, Commissioner of Public Works, ADA Coordinator, and Mayor's Office work with the Ward 5 Alderman to convene a community meeting in February to discuss improvements in the streetscape on Murdock Street.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the work needed on Murdock Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

8. Order 202621 (ID:15353)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Ballantyne, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD share with this Board any plans for improving the performance and credibility of the Somerville Redevelopment Authority, and distribute to each Alderman the Kennedy School report on the future of the SRA.

Alderman Niedergang would like hear from Mr. Glavin on what the Administration envisions, if anything, to make the SRA more responsible and more effective regarding development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

9. Resolution 202622 (ID:15354)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

That the Administration share with this Board the timeline and plan for implementing 20 mph "safety zones" and reducing the speed limit to 20 mph on as many city streets as possible.

Alderman Niedergang spoke on behalf of implementing 20 mph "safety zones" and does not understand what is holding up the implementation of this. He requested an updated timeline.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

10. Order 202623 (ID:15356)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken bollard at the intersection of Cedar Street and the Community Path. (2nd request)

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 202624 (ID:15357)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the 3 yellow bollards that are once again broken on the east side of the Lowell Street bridge at the Community Path Extension ramp. (2nd request)

## RESULT: WITHDRAWN

12. Order 202625 (ID:15355)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD develop and report to this Board an outreach campaign to start in the spring of 2017, to educate motorists about using the "Dutch Reach" to open the driver's side door to avoid "dooring" cyclists.

Alderman Niedergang explained the "Dutch Reach" to reduce the dooring of cyclists by drivers opening their doors. When you open your car door to get out, instead of using your left hand, reach over with your right hand, making it easy to look outside your side window.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Ordinance 202626 (ID:15358)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan, Ballantyne, McWatters, Heuston, White Jr.

Proposing an Ordinance to safeguard vulnerable road users.

Alderman Davis stated that this Ordinance would require City contractors and certain City vehicles to install specific safety measures such as truck side guards and mirrors. The objective is to increase safety between bicyclists, pedestrians and motorists. It's based on an Ordinance passed in Boston two years ago. Alderman Davis sponsored Alex Epstein to speak on this matter. Mr. Epstein, General Engineer at the Volpe Center, US DOT, said Somerville cannot legislate vehicle design, but can use its considerable contracting powers, like New York City and San Francisco, to make trucks safer. Alderman Heuston expressed concerns about enforcement. Alderman Ballantyne asked for more data. Mr. Epstein said the data is limited, but with this Ordinance, one life has been saved in Boston.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

14. Resolution 202627 (ID:15359)

By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Administration reconsider parking restrictions during snow emergencies for Whitman Street.

Alderman Rossetti requested the Administration reconsider parking restrictions during snow emergencies on Whitman Street. Mayor's Legislative Liaison Tim Snyder explained the history of snow emergency parking regulations, and the decision to switch between odd and even sides each year to more equitably distribute the hardship caused by the snow and street plowing. Only streets with parking, or housing, on only one side are exempted. The City will evaluate the success of this program after this year, and will not consider exemptions at this time. Alderman Rossetti asked how constituents can complain, and Mr. Snyder advised them to call 311.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

202628 (ID:15360) Reporting on the SHS Building Committee meetings of December 12 and 20, 2016.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the High School Building Committee's meetings on December 12 and 20. The Committee tried to reduce the cost of the project by removing items that were non-educational and didn't impact community use or improve Central Hill. There was much discussion of energy efficiency and carbon neutrality. The current building design is not extravagant. The roof will be solar panel ready, but will not have solar panels installed. If we must shave off \$30 million, the parking garage will come off. As the MA School Building Authority will only reimburse \$312 per square foot, costs exceeding that are the responsibility of the City. The Committee voted to remove the parking garage but leave the athletic field in place. The next meeting is with the Authority on February 15, 2017.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

16. Mayor's Request 202629 (ID:15334) Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,660,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount for construction services as part of the MWRA Local Water Assistance Program.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 16 through 23 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

17. Mayor's Request 202630 (ID:15292) Requesting to transfer CPA funds totaling \$889,962 from the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve to designated CPA reserves per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

18. Mayor's Request 202631 (ID:15293) Requesting the appropriation of \$880,416 from the CPA Fund Community Housing Reserve to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

19. Mayor's Request 202632 (ID:15344) Requesting an appropriation of \$274,879 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the purchase of FY17 Police capital equipment and vehicles.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

20. Mayor's Request 202633 (ID:15338) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$45,000 from US2 Associates into the Union Sq Revitalization and Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

21. Mayor's Request 202634 (ID:15339) Requesting an appropriation of \$45,000 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for the redevelopment of Union Square.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

22.	Withdrawn	Withdrawn.	
	202635 (ID:15290)	RESULT:	WITHDRAWN
23. Mayor's Request 202636		val to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$750 using available eering Department Professional and Technical Services	
	(ID:15202)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee
24.	Mayor's Request		val to pay two FY16 invoices totaling \$520 with FY17 funds sional & Technical Services Account.
202637 (ID:15195)			on requested to waive the readings of items 24 and 25 and here being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED
25.	Mayor's Request		ance of a \$1,000 grant with no new match required, from o the LIbraries for unrestricted uses.
	202638 (ID:15336)	RESULT:	APPROVED
26. Mayor's Request 202639 (ID:15291)		ceptance of a \$669.42 gift from NEMLEC to cover Police associated with a variety of events.	
		on requested to waive the reading of item 26 and approve it. apposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED	
27. Mayor's Request		Requesting approve Esteban Catarina,	val to accept the gift of a painting from the village of San El Salvador.
	202640 (ID:15213)		on requested to waive the reading of item 27 and refer it to imittee. There being no opposition, the motion was
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Finance Committee
28.	Mayor's	Requesting the cor	nfirmation of Frank Wright as City Solicitor.
	Request 202641 (ID:15297)		on requested to waive the readings of items 28 through 34 m. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED
29.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the cor Works.	nfirmation of Stanley Koty as Commissioner of Public
202642 (ID:15298)		RESULT:	APPROVED

30. Mayor's Request		Requesting the confirmation of Walter Whitney as Superintendent of Public Buildings & Grounds.		
202643 (ID:15299)	202643 (ID:15299)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
31. Mayor's Request	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Steven MacEachern as Superintendent of and Lights.		
	202644 (ID:15301)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
32.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the co Inspectional Servi	nfirmation of Goran Smiljic as Superintendent of ices.	
	202645 (ID:15302)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
33. Mayor's Request	Requesting the ap and Engineering.	pointment of Robert King as Director of Capital Planning		
	202646 (ID:15340)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
34. Mayor's Request 202648 (ID:15308)	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Michael Bertino as Treasurer/Collector of		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
35. Mayor's Request 202647 (ID:15305)	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Rich Raiche as City Engineer.		
	Alderman Heust	con requested to waive the reading of item 35 and refer to re being no opposition, the motion was approved.  REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters  Committee		
36.	Mayor's	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Angela Allen as Purchasing Agent.	
	Request 202649 (ID:15306)	Alderman Heust	con requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 41 m. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED	
37.	Mayor's	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Jill Lathan as Director of Parks and Recreation.	
	Request 202650	RESULT:	APPROVED	
38.	(ID:15342) Mayor's	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Steve Craig as 311 Director.	
	Request 202651 (ID:15304)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
39.	Mayor's	Requesting the co	nfirmation of Bryan Bishop as Director of Veterans Services.	
	Request 202652	RESULT:	APPROVED	
	(ID:15300)			

40. Mayor's Requesting the confirmation of Doug Kress as Director of the Board of Health. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202653 (ID:15303) 41. Requesting confirmation of Betsy Allen as Executive Director of the Human Mayor's Request Rights Commission. 202654 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:15345) 42. Mayor's Requesting confirmation of Christopher Hosman as Executive Director of the Women's Commission. Request 202655 Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 42 and refer to (ID:15346) Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee 43. Mayor's Requesting the confirmation of Rose Durham as Clerk of Committees. Request Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of item 43 through 45 202656 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. (ID:15310) RESULT: **APPROVED** Requesting the confirmation of Peter Forcellese, Sr. as Assistant Clerk of 44. Mayor's Request Committees - Legislative Clerk. 202657 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15311) 45. Requesting the confirmation of Charles Sillari as Assistant Clerk of Mayor's Request Committees. 202658 **APPROVED RESULT:** (ID:15309) 46. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Joshua McCann to the position of Fire Fighter. Request Alderman Heuston spoke about Joshua McCann and presented him for 202659 appointment as Fire Fighter.

47. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Carl Nelson to the position of Fire Fighter. Request 202660

**RESULT:** 

(ID:15327)

(ID:15328)

Alderman Heuston spoke about Carl Nelson and presented him for appointment as Fire Fighter.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**APPROVED** 

48. Mayor's Request 202661 (ID:15329) Requesting the appointment of Shayne Saulnier to the position of Fire Fighter.

Alderman Heuston spoke about Shayne Saulnier and presented him for appointment as Fire Fighter.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

49. Mayor's Request 202662 (ID:15330) Requesting the appointment of Joshua Wallace to the position of Fire Fighter.

Alderman Heuston spoke about Joshua Wallace and presented him for appointment as Fire Fighter.

RESULT: APPROVED

50. Mayor's Request 202663 (ID:15312) Requesting the appointment of Housing Authority employee Daniel J. Meade as a Special police Officer.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 50 and 51 and refer them to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

51. Mayor's Request 202664 (ID:15296) Requesting the appointment of Jessica Palacios Yamakawa to the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

52. Mayor's Request 202665 Requesting the re-appointment of Lisa Davidson to the Somerville Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 52 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

53. Officer's Communication 202666

(ID:15242)

(ID:15347)

Officer's Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved at this Board's Communication 11/10/16 meeting.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 53 through 55 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

54. Officer's Communication meeting.

Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at this Board's 11/22/16

202667

(ID:15294)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

55. Officer's Communication meeting.

Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at this Board's 12/08/16

202668 (ID:15295)

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

56. 202669

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Tufts University Tuftonia's Day, Tufts campus, Apr 28, 7AM-11:30PM (raindate Apr 30).

(ID:15364)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 56 through 75 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

57. 202670 (ID:15365)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville International Family Equality Day, Seven Hills Park, May 7, 9AM-7PM (raindate May 21).

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

58. 202671

License/Permit Public Event Permit, MOM's 5K Run/Walk for Cancer, May 14, 7AM-2PM.

(ID:15366)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. 202672

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook Parkway.

(ID:15367)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

60. License/Permit 202673

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Place.

(ID:15368)

RESULT: APPROVED

61. License/Permit 202674

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 308 McGrath Hwy.

(ID:15369)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

62. License/Permit 202675 (ID:15370)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 182 Washington St.

202676		Renewing Used Ca Hwy.	ar Dealers License Class 2, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath
	(ID:15371)	RESULT:	APPROVED
64.	202677	Renewing Used Ca St.	ar Dealers License Class 2, Top Gear Motor Group, 24 Joy
	(ID:15372)	RESULT:	APPROVED
65.	License/Permit 202678		ar Dealers License Class 2, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.
	(ID:15383)	RESULT:	APPROVED
66.	License/Permit 202679	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, Smart Tan, 258 Elm Street.
	(ID:15373)	RESULT:	APPROVED
67.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, Five Horses Tavern, 400 Highland Ave.
	202680 (ID:15374)	RESULT:	APPROVED
68.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, Au Bon Pain, 40 Holland St.
	202681 (ID:15375)	RESULT:	APPROVED
69.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, Dave's Fresh Pasta, 79 Holland St.
202682 (ID:15376)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
70.		Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, PJ Ryan's, 239 Holland St.
	202683 (ID:15377)	RESULT:	APPROVED
71.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave.
	202684 (ID:15378)	RESULT:	APPROVED
72.	License/Permit 202685	Renewing Outdoor Ave.	r Seating License, Forge Baking Company, 626 Somerville
	(ID:15379)	RESULT:	APPROVED
73.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, El Potro Mexican Grill, 61 Union Sq.
	202686 (ID:15380)	RESULT:	APPROVED
74.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	r Seating License, The Joshua Tree, 256 Elm St.
	202687 (ID:15381)	RESULT:	APPROVED

75. License/Permit New Junk Dealer, Tosh Enterprises, 260 Elm St., buying and selling high-end 202688

jewelry, pawnbroking.

(ID:15382)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

76. Mayor's Request 202689 (ID:15387) Requesting approval to amend Ordinance 9-1 regarding alcohol in public parks.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 76 and refer to the Committee on Legislative Matters. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

77. Mayor's Request 202690 (ID:15389) Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department's Damages to Persons & Property Judgments/Settlements Account.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 77 and refer to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee** 

78. Mayor's Request 202691 (ID:15343) Requesting the confirmation of Suzanne Rinfret as Director of Traffic and Parking.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 78 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

79. Mayor's Request 202692 (ID:15341) Requesting the confirmation of Ron Bonney as Superintendent of Fleet Management.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 79 through 81 and refer to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

80. Mayor's Request 202693 (ID:15324) Requesting the appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters FOLLOWUP:

Committee

81. Mayor's Request		Requesting the app Authority.	pointment of Anne Tate to the Somerville Redevelopment
	202694 (ID:15385)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee
82. Mayor's Request		Requesting the re-a	appointment of Michael Fager to the Conservation
	202695 (ID:15333)		on requested to waive the readings of items 82 through 84 nere being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED
83.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-a Commission.	appointment of Mathias Neuber to the Conservation
	202696 (ID:15332)	RESULT:	APPROVED
84.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the re-a Commission.	appointment of David Turin to the Conservation
	202697 (ID:15331)	RESULT:	APPROVED
85.	Mayor's Request	Requesting confirm Library Trustees.	nation of appointment of Maren Chiu to the Board of
	202698 (ID:15386)		on requested to waive the reading of item 85 and refer to be being no opposition, the motion was approved.  REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters  Committee
86.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-a	appointment of Catello Battinelli II as Constable.
	Request 202699 (ID:15391)		on requested to waive the readings of items 86 through 88 m. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED
87.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-	appointment of Mary Battinelli as Constable.
	Request 202700 (ID:15392)	RESULT:	APPROVED
88.	Mayor's	Requesting the re-a	appointment of Darcy Haynes as Constable.
	Request 202701	RESULT:	APPROVED
	(ID:15393)		

89. Officer's

City Solicitor requesting approval of a contract with Deutsch Williams as Communication outside legal counsel.

202702 (ID:15388)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 89 and refer to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

90. Officer's Communication 202703

(ID:15283)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 12/8/16.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 90 place it on file and refer to the Committee on Health and Safety. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

91. 202704 (ID:15394)

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, The Burren, 247 Elm St.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 91 through 95 and refer item 95 to the Committee on Licenses and Permits and approve 91 through 94. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

92. 202705 (ID:15395)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, 130 Broadway LLC for Fat Hen and Perfect Dental, 126 & 128 Broadway, 2 temporary entry vestibules.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

93. License/Permit 202706

(ID:15396)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Automotive Transport Service,

495 Columbia St.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

94. License/Permit 202707

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Gene Automotive, 56 Joy St.

(ID:15397)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

95. 202708 (ID:15398)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer License Class 2, Gary and Arlene Collins dba Auto Brokers Company, 182 Washington St., 0 autos inside, 26 outside.

**RESULT:** 

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# LATE ITEMS

96. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202709 (ID:15399) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the tar sidewalk at 41-43 Pennsylvania Avenue with concrete.

97. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202710 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the trash barrels of the (ID:15400) apartment complex at the intersection of McGrath Highway, Bonair Street and

Otis Street weekly and issue fines where appropriate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

98. Officer's Director of SomerStat submitting a memorandum analyzing an increase in the Communication residential exemption.

202711

(ID:15401) RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 202712 (ID:15441) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly thanked the Board for their encouragement and support during his triple by-pass surgery. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Tom Mercier, Sr.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202713 (ID:15442)

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meetings of December 1, 6, and 13, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2016.

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 202714 (ID:15443)

By Ald. McWatters, White Jr., and the Entire Board

Commending Sister Rachel Ferdinand on the auspicious occasion of her 100th birthday.

Alderman McWatters reported that he presented the Citation to Sister Rachel Ferdinand at her birthday party.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order 202715

(ID:15405)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD share with this Board a marketing plan for commercial development, highlighting the transformative districts.

Alderman Ballantyne feels that the City needs to promote that it is open for commercial development citywide with a marketing plan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

5. Order 202716 (ID:15406)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief of Police monitor traffic exiting from Tannery Brook Road onto Cameron Avenue.

#### RESULT: APPROVED

6. Order 202717

By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:15407) surround

That the City Solicitor and Director of Traffic and Parking advise what surrounding communities' best practices are regarding home addresses written on residential guest parking permits.

Alderman Ballantyne stated that in Ward 7 people are renewing their parking permits and want to know why their addresses have to appear on the parking permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Order 202718 (ID:15424)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalks on Oakland and Evergreen Avenues between Thurston and Marshall Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Order 202719 (ID:15425)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks at the Marshall Street Playground.

9. Order 202720 (ID:15426)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Eversource to replace the poles at the corner of School Street and Oakland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

10. Resolution 202721 (ID:15427)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Licensing Commission revoke all licenses held by the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

Alderman Lafuente stated that this business has been a nuisance for quite some time. He would like to see the Licensing Commission revoke their license. The neighbors in the area have had enough.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 202722 (ID:15428)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the City Solicitor contact the State Lottery Commission to begin revoking the lottery license for the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 202723 (ID:15429)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait School Street between Medford Street and Broadway, and all around the Healy school.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

13. Resolution 202724 (ID:15430)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Schools look into how trash is kept at the Healy School, to prevent rodent activity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Resolution 202725 (ID:15431)

By Ald. Rossetti, McWatters

That the Administration unveil the CPA-funded Prospect Hill Tour inclusion video at this Board's next meeting.

Alderman Rossetti would like the Prospect Hill video unveiled at a future Board meeting.

15. Order 202726 (ID:15432)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the City's position on installing artificial turf fields with crumb rubber infill while the US EPA studies the potential health and environmental hazards of such infill, and explain why the City doesn't use organic infill.

Alderman Niedergang questioned the environmental and health impacts of the crumb rubber infill turf. He does not feel that the City should install any more crumb rubber infill turf fields until more studies from the US EPA are done. There are organic alternatives.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

16. Order 202727 (ID:15433)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the Mayor, Representative Provost and Senator Jehlen to get the appropriate state agency to clean state-owned trash-filled land on the east and west sides of the Central Street Bridge.

Alderman Niedergang has been trying to get the sides of the Central St. Bridge cleaned up for quite some time. This is State-owned land, so the City cannot clean it itself. He has contacted the State Representative about the problem. President White suggested contacting the Sheriff to have the inmate workforce possibly clean the area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

17. Order 202728 (ID:15434)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 5 Alderman on whether large truck traffic can be curtailed or banned on Cedar Street to avoid disturbing residents' peace and damaging their foundations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

18. Order 202729 (ID:15435)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the timer on the walkway lamps at Powder House Park on the College Avenue side.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order 202730 (ID:15436)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police provide traffic enforcement on Atherton Street between Beech and Spring Streets at various times.

20. Resolution 202731

(ID:15437)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Administration consider providing a sprinkler and irrigation system for Prospect Hill Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

21. Order 202732 (ID:15438)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD update this Board with the schedule and locations of this spring's tree plantings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 202733 (ID:15439)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly, McLaughlin That the appropriate department head request that the commuter rail operator address some early morning noise issues.

Alderman Sullivan stated something has to be done about the morning noise issues. Alderman McLaughlin stated that 240 Pearl Street was promised soundproofing materials when the Green Line comes through. He is not sure where that currently stands, but it may be a solution.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

23. Order 202734 (ID:15440) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the NO CYCLING sidewalk decals in all central business districts, as soon as weather permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 24. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202735 (ID:15412) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters meeting on January 25, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were 6 appointments for the Women's Commission, along with its Director, Christopher Hosman. Rich Raiche was confirmed as City Engineer. Ron Bonnie was appointed as Superintendent of Fleet Management. Anne Tate was appointed, with a great resume and a great perspective, to the Redevelopment Authority. The Committee approved a Special Police Officer, and will discuss why those appointments are approved by the Board.

B. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Cristina DeWeese to the Commission for Request Women. 202379 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15007) C. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Daisy Monsalve to the Commission for Request Women. 202380 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15009) D. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Kat Rutkin to the Commission for Women. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202452 (ID:15008) Requesting the re-appointment of Katherine M. Wallace to the Commission for E. Mayor's Women. Request 202453 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15130) F. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Marlena Erdos to the Commission for Request Women. 202454 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15010) G. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Melissa Alfone to the Commission for Request Women. 202455 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15011) H. Mayor's Requesting the confirmation of Rich Raiche as City Engineer. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202647 (ID:15305) I. Requesting confirmation of Christopher Hosman as Executive Director of the Mayor's Women's Commission. Request 202655 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15346) J. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Housing Authority employee Daniel J. Meade Request as a Special police Officer. 202663 **APPROVED RESULT:** (ID:15312) K. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Jessica Palacios Yamakawa to the Community Request Preservation Committee.

**APPROVED** 

RESULT:

202664

(ID:15296)

L. Mayor's Request 202692 (ID:15341) Requesting the confirmation of Ron Bonney as Superintendent of Fleet Management.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 202693 (ID:15324) Requesting the appointment of William Roche as Municipal Hearing Officer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 202694 (ID:15385) Requesting the appointment of Anne Tate to the Somerville Redevelopment Authority.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 202698 (ID:15386) Requesting confirmation of appointment of Maren Chiu to the Board of Library Trustees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 25. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202736 (ID:15411) Report of the Committee on Finance meeting on January 25, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were a series of transfers from different accounts to pay for previous year invoices. The Committee approved CPA Funding for a Land Acquisition Study Fund. They also approved a \$1.6 million Bond for the construction of water and sewer projects.

Alderman White recused on all matters related to the Community Preservation Act.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202374 (ID:14995) Requesting the appropriation of \$40,000 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve budget to the Parks and Open Space Division for a Land Acquisition Study Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 202488 (ID:15137) Requesting the appropriation of \$250,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund additional outside legal counsel services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 202489 (ID:15021) Requesting the appropriation of \$150,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Heath & Human Services Professional and Technical Services Account to contract with Teen Empowerment for youth development.

E. Mayor's Request 202532 (ID:15191) Requesting a transfer of \$93,000 from the Sanitation Recycling Account to the Highway Overtime Account to fund overtime for maintenance of the increased vehicle fleet.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 202629 (ID:15334) Requesting authorization to borrow \$1,660,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount for construction services as part of the MWRA Local Water Assistance Program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

G. Mayor's Request 202630 (ID:15292) Requesting to transfer CPA funds totaling \$889,962 from the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve to designated CPA reserves per the recommendation of the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 202631 (ID:15293) Requesting the appropriation of \$880,416 from the CPA Fund Community Housing Reserve to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, as recommended by the Community Preservation Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 202632 (ID:15344) Requesting an appropriation of \$274,879 from the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund for the purchase of FY17 Police capital equipment and vehicles.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

J. Mayor's Request 202633 (ID:15338) Requesting the acceptance and appropriation of an additional \$45,000 from US2 Associates into the Union Sq Revitalization and Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

K. Mayor's Request 202634 (ID:15339) Requesting an appropriation of \$45,000 from the Union Square Stabilization and Revitalization Fund for the redevelopment of Union Square.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

L. Mayor's Request 202636 (ID:15202)

Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$750 using available funds in the Engineering Department Professional and Technical Services Account.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

M. Mayor's Request 202640 (ID:15213)

Requesting approval to accept the gift of a painting from the village of San Esteban Catarina, El Salvador.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

N. Mayor's Request 202690 (ID:15389) Requesting an appropriation of \$50,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department's Damages to Persons & Property Judgments/Settlements Account.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

O. Officer's

City Solicitor requesting approval of a contract with Deutsch Williams as Communication outside legal counsel.

202702 (ID:15388)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 26. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202737 (ID:15408)

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on January 17, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The primary topic of the meeting was the Union Square Zoning, as well as the proposed 68/32 minimum mixed use ratio. The take away from this meeting was that with or without the Union Square project, the infrastructure has to be done.

#### 27. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202738 (ID:15410) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on January 24, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. They discussed the minimum mixed use ratio proposal, the displacement of small businesses that would occur in the vicinity of Union Square, and hiring locals and unions for the development work. Mr. Galligani presented the framework for ensuring contributions from the developer. The discussion shifted to the financing mechanisms. Mr. Bean discussed the mechanics of District Improvement Financing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 28. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202739 (ID:15409) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters meeting on January 19, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about creating a rental registration program, and what should be included. Also discussed was a proposed Ordinance for a mid fiscal year report of municipal finance, with next fiscal year budget projections. The Committee talked about calling upon developers that receive public financial support to use responsible prevailing wage contractors that provide health insurance, workers comp, retirement benefits and apprenticeship training to build their projects. They discussed a draft ordinance to extend protections for trees on City-owned property. They requested an SPCD report on plans for the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund, and Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development. They also discussed providing relief from water and sewer charges to property owners who occupy their homes, by providing an exemption similar to the residential property tax exemption. Lastly, they reviewed and approved an amendment to Ordinance 9-1 to allow alcohol in public parks for licensed events.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** #202689 was Placed on File, and replaced with #202762.

B. Resolution 201899 (ID:14577)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, McWatters, Lafuente, Sullivan, Davis, White Jr., Rossetti, Ballantyne, Connolly

That this Board calls upon developers that receive any form of public financial support to use responsible prevailing-wage contractors that provide health insurance, worker's compensation, retirement benefits, and apprenticeship training to build their projects.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 201905 (ID:14595) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That this Board, with the City Solicitor, develop an ordinance for trees on cityowned property that extends to them the requirements for public notices and hearings currently in place for all "public shade trees."

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 201913

(ID:14657)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Administration meet with Alderman Heuston and other Aldermen as necessary to prepare recommendations re: #199934 before the Legislative Matters Committee's next meeting.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202361 (ID:15018) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on inserting a fee in the proposed jobs linkage ordinance, prior to the next Nexus study being completed.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 202510 (ID:15198) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition allowing residents who purchase a home from an absentee landlord the ability to claim residential tax exemption from the date of purchase.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 202511 (ID:15199) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor advise this Board of its ability to not allow absentee landlords the continued benefit of the residential tax exemption at the time of purchase from a residential tax exempt homeowner.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Mayor's Request 202689 (ID:15387) Requesting approval to amend Ordinance 9-1 regarding alcohol in public parks.

For action on this item, see #202762.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

29. Mayor's Request 202740 (ID:15413) Requesting the appropriation of \$2,335,038 from the Salary Contingency and Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to various Police Department Personal Services Accounts to fund retroactive and FY17 wage provisions of the JLMC Police Employees Association.

City Solicitor Frank Wright described the JLMC decision on the contract with the Patrolmen's Union. The decision, issued on December 22, was for a 3-year contract, with wage increases of 2.5%, 2% and 2%. Educational incentives shall include officers hired after July 1, 2009 with more than 3, but less than 5, years of service who have received a degree in Criminal Justice, receiving 5% for an Associates, 10% for a Bachelors, and 12.5% for Masters or Law Degree. After 5 years, officers shall be eligible for 10%, 20%, or 25% depending on the degree. Officers already employed prior to July 1, 2009 shall be similarly eligible. Ballistic vests shall be worn by the officers as determined by the Chief. The Chief shall be allowed up to five professional picks for specialty assignments. Alcohol testing for officers shall have a standard of .04 and IT positions shall be civilianized. Not granted is hazardous duty pay, longevity, an increase in the detail rate, and the use of body cameras. Finance Director Ed Bean reported that the award would cost \$2,335,038 through this fiscal year.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 202741 (ID:15418) Requesting authorization to borrow \$500,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for ADA accessibility building improvements.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 30 and 31 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

31. Mayor's Request 202742 (ID:15420) Requesting authorization to borrow \$410,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for Phase 2 of the Building Assessment / Preventive Maintenance Plan / Master Plan Project.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 202743 (ID:15348) Requesting acceptance of a \$22,460 grant with no new match required, from the MA Emergency Management Agency to the Health & Human Services Department for emergency preparedness activities.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

33. Mayor's Request 202744 (ID:15416) Requesting acceptance of a \$11,000 grant with no new match required, from Tufts' Tisch Community Research Center to the Health & Human Services Department for a comprehensive food system assessment.

Mayor's Legislative Liaison Tim Snyder explained the purpose of this grant is to fund the initial steps of a collaborative city wide comprehensive food system assessment.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

34. Mayor's Request 202745 (ID:15415)

Requesting acceptance of a \$7,465 grant with no new match required, from the Metro Regional Employment Board to the Health & Human Services Department for youth employment.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

35. Mayor's Request 202746 (ID:15335) Requesting the re-appointment of Paula Machado to the Board of Health.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

36. Officer's City Clerk requesting approval of his Public Official's Bond.

Request 202747 (ID:15444)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**NEW BUSINESS** 

37. 202748 (ID:15445)

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Dali Restaurant, 415 Washington St.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 37 through 41 and approve items 37 through 39 and refer items 40 and 41 to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

38. 202749

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Soundbites, 704 Broadway.

(ID:15449)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 39. 202750

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Parkway.

(ID:15446)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

40. 202751

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

(ID:15447)

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee 41. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.

202752

(ID:15448)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

42. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202753

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a blinking STOP sign on the

(ID:15452) corner of Mount Vernon and Pearl Streets.

**RESULT:** 

RESULT: APPROVED

43. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

202754 (ID:15453)

(ID:15414)

202757

(ID:15454)

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the downed street light on the corner of Mount Vernon and Pearl Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

44. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

202755 That the Chief of Street and Willia

That the Chief of Police enforce speed limits on lower Porter Street, by Carver

Street and Williams Court, especially during rush hours.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

45. Mayor's Requesting approval of an Ordinance amending the Local Historic District
Request Map to create a new Harvard Hill Historic District encompassing properties in
the area of Beacon Street and Smith Avenue.

Alderman Heuston requested the prompt approval of an Ordinance amending the Local Historic District Map to include a new Harvard Hill District.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

46. Mayor's Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$375,000 in a bond for the construction of a U8 Winter Hill Community School Soccer Field.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 48 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 202758 (ID:15402) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$36,730.52 using available funds within various Department of Public Works accounts.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 202759 (ID:15419) Requesting acceptance of a 12 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1112-1114 Broadway.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 202760 (ID:15451) Requesting approval to use the firm of Foley Hoag as pro bono legal counsel for legal research and analysis regarding Sanctuary City status.

Mayor's Legislative Liaison Tim Snyder requested prompt consideration of this item.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

50. Mayor's Request 202761 (ID:15450) Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Richard Gilberti as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

51. Officer's 202762 (ID:15417)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting an amended Ordinance relating to alcohol Communication in public parks as recommended at the 1/19/17 meeting of the Committee on Legislative Matters (#202689).

For discussion of this item, see #202689.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

#### **LATE ITEMS**

52. Order 202763 (ID:15464) By Ald. McLaughlin

That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety determine the extent of soundproofing to be installed for the Green Line Extension.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee 53. Order 202764 (ID:15457)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD meet with the Administration, Cambridge transportation planners, and the MBTA business group to discuss Inman Square's intersection redesign, and further, that the Director assign planning staff to attend and address Somerville's concerns at Cambridge planning meetings, and further, that said staff brief this Board and organize with the Ward 2 Alderman a neighborhood meeting to share findings and feedback.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

54. Order 202765 (ID:15458)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works implement an accessible pedestrian walkway on Poplar Street, surrounding ARTFARM, in anticipation of its future development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

55. Order 202766 (ID:15459)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the new construction on Beacon Place to determine if it complies with the approved construction plan, and report the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

56. Order 202767 (ID:15460)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the asphalt sidewalk panels within the 300 to 400 Washington Street blocks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

57. Order 202768 (ID:15461)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole at 400 Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

58. Resolution 202769

(ID:15465)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration present to this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy the Fields Presentation dated November 15, 2016.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:35 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 14, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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#### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Absent
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent

1. Roll Call 202770 (ID:15499) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for William McKenzie, Bertha Casey and Leah Accomando. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Mary Prior.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202771 (ID:15500)

Approval of the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of January 9, 2017, and the Regular Meeting of January 12, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 202772 (ID:15514) Submitted by the Herb Chambers Companies to install two conduits from the rear of 259 McGrath Highway to 161 Linwood Street.

The President opened the public hearing. John Welch with Herb Chambers Company spoke about the details of the project, which will be a Mercedes Truck Center with five bays with lifts and a car wash. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 202773 (ID:15479)

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Beacon Street reconstruction project with a timeline and significant design changes.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

5. Order By Ald. Heuston

202774

That the Director of SPCD request information from MA DOT about the jersey (ID:15480) barriers and asphalt triangle at McGrath Highway, approaching the overpass, and request that the space be converted to permeable green space if there are no further changes planned for the intersection.

> Alderman Heuston wants to know the plans for the jersey barriers. If there are no plans, she would like to see it turned into green space.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Order 6. By Ald. Heuston

202775

That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a speed study on Dane Street

(ID:15478) and Concord Avenue.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

7. Order By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

202776 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, with the assistance of other (ID:15481) departments as necessary, forward to this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety a list of AirBnB-type lodging facilities in the city.

> Alderman Connolly requested the Superintendent of Inspectional Services to forward to the Board data on Air BnB lodgings for fire and safety reasons.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee 8. Order

202777 (ID:15482) By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lamps in Davis Square Plaza.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order

By Ald. McWatters

202778 (ID:15483) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole on the corner of Craigie and Summer Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order

By Ald. McWatters

202779 (ID:15484) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panel across from

37 Lowell Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order

By Ald. McWatters

202780 (ID:15485) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels on

Warren Avenue from Properzi Manner to the Citizens Bank.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

12. Order 202781 (ID:15486)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor consider limiting vehicle parking stickers for properties that request parking relief from the Zoning Board of Appeals or Planning Board, and opine on the Traffic and Parking Department's authority to limit parking stickers in such developments.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

13. Order 202782 (ID:15487)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, and the Entire Board

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board on the cause of the fire at 8-10 Appleton Street, including whether the AirBnB rental there was in compliance with city and state laws, and whether it played any role in the cause of the fire.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

14. Order 202783 (ID:15489)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Engineering report to this Board on the policy and timeline for repainting crosswalks that are erased due to repaving or construction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

15. Resolution 202784 (ID:15488)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Administration develop a policy for temporary crosswalk painting or other measures to protect pedestrians when road work or other conditions prevent the immediate re-striping of road markings.

Alderman Davis requested the Administration to develop a policy for temporary crosswalk painting, in order to protect pedestrians when road work is being done.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

16. Order 202785 (ID:15491)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider purchasing 70 temporary speed bumps to be deployed beginning in April, or as soon as possible, on residential streets that have requested traffic calming measures.

Alderman Niedergang feels there needs to be temporary speed bumps to enforce the speed limits in residential areas.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

17. Order 202786 (ID:15492)

By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider purchasing 21 flashing speed monitoring sign boards to deploy on streets where residents are concerned about speeding.

Alderman Niedergang said it was actually Alderman Heuston's idea to purchase 21 flashing speed monitoring sign boards, 3 for each ward.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

18. Resolution 202787 (ID:15490)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Traffic Commission consider amending Article 14 of the City Traffic Regulations to provide a simplified means for residents and Aldermen to request, and for the Commission to approve, the placement of speed bumps on residential streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

19. Withdrawn 202788 (ID:15493)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

20. Withdrawn 202789 (ID:15494)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

21. Order 202790 (ID:15496) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking assign a Parking Control Officer at the charter school on Franklin Street during release time.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 202791 (ID:15495)

By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install reflective material on the STOP sign post at Governor Winthrop and Ten Hills Roads.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

23. Order 202792 (ID:15497)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a flashing cross walk sign on Broadway at the East Branch Library.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

24. Order 202793 (ID:15498) By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Chief of Police update this Board on the condition of the city's animal control kennel.

Alderman Sullivan wants an update on the condition of the animal control facility.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order 202794 (ID:15545)

By Ald. White Jr., Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti

That the Chief of Police update this Board on using city kennels to house stray animals, and plans to use commercial kennels outside the city instead.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 202795 (ID:15507)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform contractors of the importance of communicating with neighbors about construction and parking changes.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 202796 (ID:15501)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Service inspect Hathorn Street for rodents and bait accordingly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

28. Order 202797 (ID:15502) By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the crosswalk at Mount

Vernon Street and Pearl Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order 202798 (ID:15504) By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the bike lanes on Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Order 202799 (ID:15505)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider placing warning signs at the entrance of East Broadway, at McGrath Highway, to let drivers know the street will merge to one lane.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

31. Order 202800 (ID:15506) By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Chief of Police enforce all traffic regulations on Broadway, Myrtle Street and Washington Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

32. Resolution 202801 (ID:15540)

By Ald. Davis, Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Administration advise this Board on the proposed state regulation of AirBnB properties, and options the city might have for taxation and regulation.

Alderman Davis wants the Board to learn about proposed State regulation/taxation of AirBnBs, and the impact on the city's flexibility in these matters. Alderman Heuston stated that there is a need for more inspectors in the field.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

33. Resolution 202802 (ID:15541)

By Ald. Davis

That the Administration update this Board on the proposed development at the MBTA shaft site on Summer Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

34. Order 202803 (ID:15538)

By Ald. Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing bricks in Davis Square at the end of Highland Avenue near Mike's Pizza.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

35. Order

By Ald. Davis

202804 (ID:15539) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the area around 117 Liberty Avenue for rodent activity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 36. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202805

(ID:15471)

Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel

Matters, meeting on February 2, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202761 (ID:15450) Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Richard Gilberti as a Special Police Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on February 8, 2017.

Report 202806 (ID:15474)

Alderman LaFuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. A number of bonds were approved. An appropriation of \$2,335,038 from the Salary Contingency and Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to fund the JLMC Police Employees Association decision was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 202726 (ID:15432) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the City's position on installing artificial turf fields with crumb rubber infill while the US EPA studies the potential health and environmental hazards of such infill, and explain why the City doesn't use organic infill.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

C. Mayor's Request 202740 (ID:15413) Requesting the appropriation of \$2,335,038 from the Salary Contingency and Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund to various Police Department Personal Services Accounts to fund retroactive and FY17 wage provisions of the JLMC Police Employees Association.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Ballantyne

D. Mayor's Request 202741 (ID:15418) Requesting authorization to borrow \$500,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for ADA accessibility building improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Ballantyne

E. Mayor's Request 202742 (ID:15420) Requesting authorization to borrow \$410,000 in a bond, and appropriate the same amount, for Phase 2 of the Building Assessment / Preventive Maintenance Plan / Master Plan Project.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Ballantyne

F. Mayor's Request 202757 (ID:15454) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$375,000 in a bond for the construction of a U8 Winter Hill Community School Soccer Field.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Ballantyne

G. Mayor's Request 202758 (ID:15402) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$36,730.52 using available funds within various Department of Public Works accounts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 202759 (ID:15419) Requesting acceptance of a 12 month lease of the West Somerville Police Substation and office space at 1112-1114 Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 38. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202807 (ID:15473) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on February 6, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The first item was a recent meeting of Murdoch Street residents expressing concerns about the streetscape. Transportation Director Brad Rawson will follow up with residents on Tuesday, 2/28, at 6:30 pm at the VNA on 259 Lowell St. The Committee also discussed the upgrade and redesign to the asphalt playground, Tot Lot and the Cave Courtyard at the West Somerville Neighborhood School. The Committee looked at the status of workforce training and development. The final item was a request that the Administration obtain from Federal Realty Investment Trust, the wages, hours, and residency of every employee at the Assembly Row Parcel 6 site.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 196437 (ID:9056) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Heuston, Rossetti, Ballantyne, Connolly That the Director of SPCD (Economic Development) report on the development of and funding for the local hiring and workforce development First Source program, and report on the outcome of FRIT's recent job fairs for Assembly Square, including Somervillians getting jobs.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 201791 (ID:14449) By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston, Sullivan, Ballantyne, Davis, McLaughlin, McWatters, Lafuente

That the City Clerk notify Greentown Labs to appear before this Board to describe its selection of contractors and plans for local hiring in its upcoming construction project.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## 39. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202808 (ID:15475) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on February 7, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The primary discussion was on Union Square Zoning and the Minimum Mixed Use Ratio.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 40. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

Α. Committee Report 202809 (ID:15476) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on February 8, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about several automotive uses primarily in Ward 2, especially at 39, 45 and 47 Webster Avenue. The Committee wants the Traffic and Parking Engineer and the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure to determine if the driveway at 39 Webster Avenue is legal, and wants the Superintendent of Inspectional Services to inspect 47 Webster Avenue to determine the number of businesses operating there.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. 202493 (ID:15174)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Inman Collision Center, 45 Webster Ave.

**RESULT:** 

**WITHDRAWN** 

C. 202708 (ID:15398)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealer License Class 2, Gary and Arlene Collins dba Auto Brokers Company, 182 Washington St., 0 autos inside, 26 outside.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** 

The property in which this business operates is located in the Union Square Urban Revitalization District. Renewal of this license is not automatic.

D. 202751 (ID:15447)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

**RESULT:** 

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITIONS:** Approved for 30 vehicles outside, through April 30,

2017, only.

Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

E. 202752

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.

**RESULT:** (ID:15448)

**CONDITION:** Note that this location has been designated an

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

F. Order

202810 (ID:15543) By Ald. Heuston

That the Traffic and Parking Engineer and the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure inspect 39 Webster Avenue to determine if the driveway there is legal, and report back to the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

G. Order 202811 (ID:15544) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 47 Webster Avenue with the property owner to determine the number of businesses operating there, and report back to the Licenses and Permits Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

## 41. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202812 (ID:15470) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on February 1, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about the master plan for the athletic fields. The Committee discussed the reconfiguring of the asphalt at the Healy School. They also spoke about artificial turf and its costs, and the routine maintenance of the fields. Lastly, they looked at the possibility of Net Zero development in Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 200749 (ID:13386) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the differences between the Stretch Energy Code and the International Energy Conservation Code 2012, and which Code the City is applying.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

200896 (ID:13626) That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the city's LED lighting contractor review the report by resident Luis Morales and provide their written comments.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 201840 (ID:14498) By Ald. Davis

That the Director of Health and Human Services report to this Board on the potential harmful human health effects of the recently installed LED street lights.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Public Communication 93 and 28.

Lisandra Ayala submitting comments on the dangerous intersection at Routes

202236 (ID:14912)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE 42.

A. Committee Report 202813 (ID:15472)

Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on February 2, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about traffic calming measures at Gordon Street and Woods Avenue.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

B. Order 199845 (ID:12471)

By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Director of Traffic and Parking notify MASS DOT about the malfunctioning traffic signal at McGrath Highway and Medford Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's Communication 10/8/15.

Traffic and Parking Director responding to various Board Orders submitted

200355 (ID:12818)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 10/22/15.

200492 (ID:13038)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Officer's Communication 200558 (ID:13118)

F.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/24/15.

Officer's

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

200560

(ID:13132)

Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 11/24/15.

Officer's

**RESULT:** 

G. 200561

Traffic and Parking Director responding to #200262 re: using mirrors to Communication improve street sight lines.

WORK COMPLETED

(ID:13146)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

H. Officer's Communication 200759 (ID:13319)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/14/16.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I.		Traffic and Parking submitted 1/28/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders
200908 (ID:13468)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
J. Officer's Communication	Traffic and Parking submitted 2/11/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders	
	200909 (ID:13467)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
K.	K. Officer's Communication		Director submitting responses to various Board Orders
	200910 (ID:13512)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
L.		Traffic and Parking submitted 3/10/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders
	201197 (ID:13661)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
M.		Traffic and Parking submitted 4/14/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders
201446 (ID:14073)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
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R.	Order 201755 (ID:14411)	By Ald. Heuston That the Director of Traffic and Parking place signage at the intersection of Hawkins Street and Somerville Avenue to stop vehicles from entering Somerville Avenue and traveling the wrong way.		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
S.		Traffic and Parking submitted 5/26/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders	
	201938 (ID:14522)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
T.		Traffic and Parking submitted 6/23/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders	
	201939 (ID:14527)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
U.		Traffic and Parking submitted 6/9/16.	Director submitting responses to various Board Orders	
	202004 (ID:14523)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
V.	7. Officer's Communication 202226	Director of Traffic a	and Parking responding to Board Orders submitted 7/14/16.  WORK COMPLETED	
***	(ID:14841)	Discourse of Tour Co	1 D. 1.'	
W.	Officer's Communication 202250 (ID:14843)	RESULT:	and Parking responding to Board Orders submitted 8/25/16.  WORK COMPLETED	
X.	Officer's	Director of Traffic a	and Parking responding to Board Orders submitted 8/25/16.	
	Communication 202294 (ID:14931)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
Y.	Officer's Communication		Director responding to Board Orders submitted 10/13/16.	
	202384 (ID:15005)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
Z.		Traffic and Parking 11/10/16 meeting.	Director responding to items approved at this Board's	
	202666 (ID:15242)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AA.	Officer's Communication	•	responding to items approved at this Board's 11/22/16	
202667 (ID:15294)		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

43. Mayor's Request 202814 (ID:15468) Requesting acceptance of a \$41,200 grant with no new match required, from Bunker Hill Community College to SPCD for WorkForce Development Training.

RESULT: APPROVED

44. Mayor's Request 202815 (ID:15390) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$38,000 from the MA Office of Public Safety for Police Department staffing.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 54, with item 44 referred to the Finance Committee, items 45 through 50 referred to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments, and items 51 through 54 Placed on File and forwarded to committees as appropriate. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 202816 (ID:15463) Requesting the appointment of Claudia DeAndrade to the Fair Housing Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

46. Mayor's Request 202817 (ID:15503) Requesting the appointment of Richard Johnson to the Veterans Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

47. Mayor's Request 202818 (ID:15508) Requesting the appointment of Elizabeth Minahan to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

48. Mayor's Request 202819 (ID:15509) Requesting the appointment of Kevin Dickinson to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

49. Mayor's Request 202820 (ID:15510) Requesting the appointment of Norbert D'Amato to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

50. Mayor's Request 202821 (ID:15511)

Requesting the appointment of Ricardo Maldonado to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

51. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor submitting information related to #202042, a Hudson Communication St public event for a neighborway street mural painting.

202822

(ID:15512)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

52. Officer's

Licensing Commission responding to #202721 re: revoking licenses for Winter Communication Hill Market, 269 Broadway.

202823 (ID:15513)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

53. Officer's Communication Trust Act.

Chief of Police conveying the annual report required by Ordinance 2-6, the

202824

(ID:15542)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

54. Officer's Communication meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 1/26/17

202825

(ID:15467)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

55. 202826

License/Permit Public Event Permit, OneSomerville Sanctuary City Rally, High School Concourse, Feb 4, 9AM-1:30PM.

(ID:15515)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 77 and approve them, with item 65 referred to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 202827 (ID:15516)	202827	Public Event Permit, Global Embassy of Activists for Peace Mass General Blood Drive, 404 Broadway, Feb 11, 9AM-4PM.		
	RESULT:	APPROVED		
57. License/Permit 202828		it, Groundwork Somerville Maple Syrup Boil Down, ng Center, Mar 3-4, 8AM-3PM (raindate Mar 10-11).		
	(ID:15517)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
202829		t, St Benedict Good Friday Passion procession, Arlington Apr 14, Noon-6PM.		
	(ID:15518)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
59.	License/Permit 202830		it, Arts Council Mayor's Spring Clean-up, Citywide and Boathouse, Apr 22, 8AM-3PM (raindate Apr 29).	
	(ID:15519)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
60.	202831	Public Event Permi 10AM-3PM (rainda	it, Arts Council Tiny Great Outdoors Festival, Apr 23, ate Apr 30).	
	(ID:15520)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.	License/Permit 202832	Public Event Permi 5PM (raindate Apr	it, Birdhouse Project 2017, Community Path, Apr 29, 8AM-30).	
(ID:15521)	(ID:15521)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.	62. License/Permit 202833		it, Dysautomonia International POTS 5K Race and Walk, vation area, May 6, 8AM-1PM.	
	(ID:15522)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	63. License/Permit 202834 (ID:15523)	Public Event Permi (raindate May 14).	it, Arts Council Porchfest, Citywide, May 13, 11AM-7PM	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.	License/Permit 202835	Public Event Permistreets, May 14, 11	it, St Benedict Marion Procession, Arlington St and area AM-Noon.	
	(ID:15524)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.	License/Permit 202836		it, Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, High School a streets, May 21, Noon-4:30PM.	
(ID:	(ID:15525)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	

66. License/Permit 202837 (ID:15526)	202837	Public Event Permit, Arts Council SomerPride, Union Sq Plaza, Jun 3, 4-9:30PM.		
	RESULT:	APPROVED		
67. License/Permit 202838		nit, Arts Council Dancing in the Streets, Foss Park Parking :30-10:30PM (raindates Jun 4 & 18).		
	(ID:15527)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 202839 (ID:15528)		nit, Ryan Harrington Foundation Just One Run, Mystic River way (1 lane), and Blessing of the Bay Boathouse, Jun 4,	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit 202840		nit, Arts Council SomerStreets East Broadway, McGrath nia Ave, Jun 4, Noon-8PM (raindate Jun 11).	
	(ID:15529)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
70.	License/Permit 202841		nit, Chamber of Commerce-Somerville Home Taste of erhouse Park, Jun 14, 7AM-Midnight (raindates Jun 21, 28).	
	(ID:15530)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
71.	License/Permit 202842		nit, Arts Council Joe's Jazz and Blues Festival, Powderhouse M-7PM (raindate Jun 18).	
	(ID:15531)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
72.	72. License/Permit 202843	Public Event Pern 4-10PM (raindate	nit, Arts Council Make Music Day, Seven Hills Park, Jun 21, Jun 23).	
	(ID:15532)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
73. License/Per 202844 (ID:15533)		Public Event Pern 10AM-5PM (raind	nit, Arts Council Family Fun Day, Trum Field, Jun 24, date Jun 25).	
	(ID:15533)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
74.	74. License/Permit 202845 (ID:15534)		nit, Arts Council Fireworks, Trum Field and Broadway from dar St, Jun 29, Noon-11PM (raindate Jul 6).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
75.	License/Permit 202846	Public Event Perm 10AM-8PM (raind	nit, Arts Council Nepali Festival, Union Sq Plaza, Jul 9, date Jul 16).	
(ID	(ID:15535)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

76. 202847

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council ArtBeat, Davis Sq area, Jul 14 Noon-11PM & Jul 15 8AM-8PM (raindates Jul 15 & 16).

(ID:15536)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

77. License/Permit 202848

Public Event Permit, Road Runners Race to the Row, Assembly Sq area, Aug 20, 7AM-3PM.

(ID:15537)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

78. Public Communication City.

Jeremy Spindler submitting comments re: Somerville's status as a Sanctuary

202849

(ID:15462)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

79. Order By Ald. Rossetti

202850 (ID:15546) That the Director of Personnel update this Board with all positions filled or vacated since the FY17 budget discussions.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

80. Order By Ald. Niedergang

202851 (ID:15549)

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board why snow plows can't go slower to avoid throwing snow over the curb and onto sidewalks.

Alderman Niedergang received many complaints about snow plows driving with excessive speed and plowing snow onto already-shoveled driveways and sidewalks.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

81. Ordinance By Ald. Heuston

202852 (ID:15551) Requesting the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map to rezone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

82. Mayor's Request 202853 (ID:15547)

Requesting an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial subdistricts, a new Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee 83. Mayor's Request 202854 (ID:15548) Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to adjust the definition of Net Floor Area, clarify affordable housing required in RA and RB districts, and confirm the process to approve subdivisions, lot splits, lot mergers and lot line adjustments.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

84. License/Permit 202855 (ID:15556)

Public Event Permit, Taza Chocolate Cinco de Mayo Block Party, Windsor Pl from Windsor to Columbia Sts, May 6, 9AM-6PM (raindate May 7).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 84 through 88 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

85. 202856 (ID:15555)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council How to Fix the World Festival, Union Sq. Plaza, Jun 18, 10AM-5PM (raindate Jul 8).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

86. 202857 (ID:15554)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Dog Festival, Trum Field, Sep 10, 6AM-5PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

87. 202858 (ID:15552)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, A Plus Auto Body, 297 Medford

**RESULT:** APPROVED

88. License/Permit 202859 (ID:15553)

Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Tony C's Sports Bar and Grill, 699 Assembly Row.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

#### LATE ITEMS

89. Order 202860 (ID:15559) By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the Chief of Police send a directed patrol to monitor Mount Vernon Street for wrong-way traffic 5-6PM.

Alderman Rossetti requesting that police monitor Mt. Vernon Street. Alderman Heuston said that parking and traffic issues are of the utmost concern to all residents citywide. President White suggested that Alderman McWatters schedule a meeting of the Committee on Traffic and Parking in East Somerville, where residents can attend and voice their traffic concerns.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 90. Order 202861

By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the Chief of Police monitor lower Broadway regularly for illegal u-turns.

(ID:15560) **RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

91. Order 202862 (ID:15561) By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain its policy of reporting back to citizens who submit traffic calming petitions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

92. Order 202764 (ID:15457)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD discuss the Inman Square intersection redesign with the Administration, Cambridge transportation planners, and the MBTA business group, and assign planning staff to address Somerville's concerns at Cambridge planning meetings, and direct said staff to brief this Board and organize with the Ward 2 Alderman a neighborhood meeting to share findings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

93. Resolution 202863 (ID:15550)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Administration explain to this Board why it is recommending to the Traffic Commission 20 mph speed zones only in designated locations, and consider recommending instead a 20 mph speed limit citywide (except for state roads).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

94. Ordinance 202864 (ID:15563)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

Proposing an updated Article 16B in the city's Zoning Ordinances, with attendant Zoning Map changes, to establish a minimum mixed use ratio in designated areas.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

95. Order 202865 (ID:15562)

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services take steps to revoke all licenses held by the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:00 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 23, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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#### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent

1. Roll Call 202866 (ID:15585) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Rossetti held a moment of silence for Ligia Taylor. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Paul Carroll. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Linda Delvecchio-Bergen. Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Leah Accomando. Alderman Lafuente held a moment of silence for George Bishop.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202867 (ID:15586)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, January 26, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 202868 (ID:15593)

By Ald. Niedergang, the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Mary Mangan, who volunteered to be the City's first "Solar Coach" and was critical to the success of the Solarize Somerville campaign.

Alderman Niedergang invited Mary Mangan, Russell Koty and Oliver Sellers-Garcia to the podium to present Ms. Mangan with a citation for contributing mightily to the success of the Solarize Somerville Campaign.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 202869 (ID:15594) Submitted by Eversource to relocate 23 poles and 1 steel guy pole, and remove 1 pole, along the length of Beacon Street as part of the street widening project.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Heuston stated that the Eversource plans don't match the Beacon St. construction plans, and they need further review by the DPW Commissioner and the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Order 202870

By Ald. White Jr.

(ID:15575)

Proposing an amendment to the Rules of this Board, to permit the issuance of subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents.

This will be kept before the Board while the Law Office conducts a review as to legality.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

6. Order 202871 (ID:15565)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Arborist check the health of the tree at 23 Kingston Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Order 202872 (ID:15576)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report the number of warnings and citations issued for snow covered vehicles following the 9AM lifting of the snow emergency on 2/13/17.

Alderman Rossetti would like to see a report on warnings and citatations for snow-covered vehicles.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order 202873

(ID:15577)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels on Highland Avenue, from the Veteran's Honor Roll to Putnam Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

9. Order 202874 (ID:15578)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang, Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill in the potholes on Bow, Lowell and Porter Streets and on Somerville Avenue, from Bow Street to School Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order 202875

(ID:15584)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Water and Sewer Superintendent report to this Board whether homeowners could install a separate water meter for outdoor water lines, which would not incur sewer fees.

Alderman Niedergang would like to have a discussion with the Water Superintendent regarding outdoor water use rates.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

11. Order 202876 (ID:15579)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on plans to utilize the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green, and whether they can be used for improvements at Cedar Street, Murdock Street, and the "Patch" neighborhood west of Maxwell's Green.

Alderman Niedergang stated that these funds have been sitting for over five years. He would like an update on their use.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

12. Order 202877 (ID:15583)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the extent to which City inspectors enforce snow and ice removal in the city, broken down by ward, in response to complaints that many sidewalks were never cleared.

Alderman Niedergang requested a report on tickets for snow violations, and President White asked that it cover the entire City.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Withdrawn 202878 (ID:15582)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

14. Withdrawn

202879 (ID:15580) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

15. Withdrawn

202880 (ID:15581) Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

16. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

202881 (ID:15595) In his capacity as President, appointing Ald. Heuston to the Bicycle Advisory

Committee.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

17. Resolution

202725 (ID:15431) By Ald. Rossetti, McWatters

That the Administration unveil the CPA-funded Prospect Hill Tour inclusion video at this Board's next meeting.

rideo at this Board's next meeting.

Alderman Rossetti introduced Dick Bauer who presented the 8-minute

video.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 18. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202882 (ID:15596) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on February 16, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She discussed transferring the powers of the Redevelopment Authority for the Union Square redevelopment to this Board. She said the Committee proposed an Ordinance to safeguard vulnerable road users: all new vehicles include these safeguards. The City owns 25 vehicles that need to be retrofitted at a cost of \$500-\$3,000 per vehicle.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 202621 (ID:15353) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Ballantyne, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD share with this Board any plans for improving the performance and credibility of the Somerville Redevelopment Authority, and distribute to each Alderman the Kennedy School report on the future of the SRA.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 19. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

## A. Committee Report 202883 (ID:15597)

Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on February 22, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was a discussion regarding the Appleton Street fire. This property had been used as an AirBnB. The Committee is looking into what measures need to be taken to establish local control for AirBnBs, including regulations, hotel taxes, etc. Another item discussed was special police details, which can be assigned to retired police officers up to the age of 65. The Committee is looking to increase the maximum age to 68.

RESULT: APPROVED

## B. Order 201889 (ID:14567)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Niedergang That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 15-17-19 Henderson Street for all code violations and unauthorized removals of stop work orders and unsafe building notices, and report back to this Board on recommended actions to ensure the public's health and safety.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## C. Order 202319 (ID:14992)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 135 Hillsdale Road for an illegal rooming house.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## D. Order 202325 (ID:15016)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Constituent Services and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services discuss the 311 calls and inspections related to 19 Clarendon Avenue.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# E. Order 202336 (ID:15046)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 44 Adrian Street for building and health code violations and contact the property owner to make necessary repairs.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## F. Order 202499 (ID:15186)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services update the Ward 7 Alderman regarding the inspection of 135 Hillsdale Road as an illegal rooming house.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order

202710 (ID:15400) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the trash barrels of the apartment complex at the intersection of McGrath Highway, Bonair Street and Otis Street weekly and issue fines where appropriate.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order

By Ald. Heuston

202766 (ID:15459) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the new construction on Beacon Place to determine if it complies with the approved construction plan, and report the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

20. Mayor's Request 202884 (ID:15469) Requesting approval to appropriate \$360,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Assembly Square Master Plan.

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the readings of items 20 through 22 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

21. Mayor's Request 202885 (ID:15564) Requesting acceptance of a \$120,000 grant that requires a match, from the Metro North Regional Employment Board to SPCD to promote advanced manufacturing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

22. Mayor's Request 202886 (ID:15558) Requesting authorization to increase the expenditure cap of the Planning and Zoning Notice Revolving Fund from \$28,000 to \$35,000 for FY17.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

23. Mayor's Request 202887 (ID:15591) Requesting that this Board approve a 2017 local election calendar.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 23 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

24. Mayor's Request 202888 (ID:15573) Requesting the appointment of Robert McCarthy to the position of District Fire Chief.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 24 through 34 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

25. Mayor's Request 202889 (ID:15572) Requesting the appointment of Patrick Halloran to the position of Fire Lieutenant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

26. Mayor's Request 202890 (ID:15566) Requesting the appointment of Mackenzie Richardson to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

27. Mayor's Request 202891 (ID:15567) Requesting the appointment of Justin Brown to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

28. Mayor's Request 202892 (ID:15568) Requesting the appointment of Justin Buswell to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

29. Mayor's Request 202893 (ID:15569) Requesting the appointment of Mark McLaughlin to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

30. Mayor's Request 202894 (ID:15570) Requesting the appointment of Sergio Costa to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

31.	Mayor's	Requesting the app	pointment of Seamus Lynch to the Police Reserve List.
	Request 202895 (ID:15571)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee
32. Mayor's		Requesting the app	pointment of Jessica R. Alter to the Commission for Women.
Request 202896 (ID:1542		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION  Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters  Committee
33. Mayor's Request 202897 (ID:15422)	Request	Requesting the app Women.	pointment of Kaitlyn P. Dmyterko to the Commission for
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee
34. Mayor's Request		Requesting the app	pointment of Stephanie Goodell to the Commission for
	202898 (ID:15423)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee
35.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the app Special Police Offi	pointment of retired Police Officer Joseph Macarelli as a icer.
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**APPROVED** 

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

**RESULT:** 

36. Officer's Finance Director submitting a mid-year report of the City's budget Communication performance for FY17.

202900

(ID:15574)

(ID:15587)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

37. Order By Ald. Heuston

202901 (ID:15592) That the Director of Communications send a CTY call to residents during a water main break in addition to knocking door to door.

Alderman Heuston would like to see the City communicate news of water breaks by means in addition to knocking door to door.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

38. Order By Ald. Heuston

202902 (ID:15590) That the Chief Assessor inform this Board about whether a review is conducted each fiscal year to verify that residential exemptions are accurate, whether an audit is conducted before an exemption is granted, and whether there is data about the percentage of properties where residency cannot be verified.

Alderman Heuston requested an update with residential exemption information.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

39. Order By Ald. Heuston

202903 (ID:15589) That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking arrange a meeting with the Ward 2 Alderman to discuss a proposal for new parking regulations upon the completion of Beacon Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

40. Order By Ald. Heuston

202904 (ID:15588) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the LOADING ZONE sign at 352 Washington Street with a standard parking sign.

41. Resolution 202905 (ID:15598) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Administration delay any final vote by the Redevelopment Authority on the Union Square Land Disposition Agreement until a public hearing is held to obtain public input and respond to public questions, and until the Agreement is discussed with this Board.

President White would like the Board more involved in the Union Square redevelopment. He proposed that a final vote by the Redevelopment Authority on the Union Square Land Disposition Agreement not be taken until a Public Hearing is held. Alderman Heuston raised concerns about the zoning in the Land Disposition Agreement which the Board has not voted on yet. Alderman Niedergang will schedule a meeting of the Housing and Community Development Committee, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, to consider the matter.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

42. Mayor's Request 202906 (ID:15557) Requesting a transfer of \$55,577 from the Transportation and Infrastructure Personal Services Account to the Salary Contingency Fund.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. Mayor's 202907

(ID:15599)

Conveying statistical and policy information from Airbnb relative to home Communication sharing usage in Somerville.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 43 through 45 and place them on file with referrals to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

44. Officer's Communication outreach efforts.

Chief Assessor responding to #202516 re: statutory tax exemptions and

202908

(ID:15466)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

45. Officer's

Director of SPCD conveying the Kennedy School's "Future of the SRA" Communication report, in response to #202621.

202909

(ID:15601)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

46. 202910 (ID:15604)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Groundwork Somerville Maple Syrup Boil-Down for School Field Trips, Growing Center, Mar 2, 9AM-2:30PM (raindate Mar 9).

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 48 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

47. 202911

License/Permit Public Event Permit, BA Event Promotions Race of Ireland 5K Walk/Run, Davis Sq area, Mar 19, 7AM-3PM.

(ID:15603)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

48. License/Permit 202912

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave.

(ID:15602)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

LATE ITEMS

49. Resolution By Ald. Connolly

202913 (ID:15608) That the Administration prepare a Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers from 65 years old to 68.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Health and Public Safety Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

50. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

202914

Conveying Mike Wiser's report of the Massport RNAV Hearing and Forum,

(ID:15607) held on February 22, 2017, with the associated Massport presentation.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:20 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

March 9, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 202915 (ID:15650) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Frank Martelli. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Muller Balan. Alderman Connolly held a moment of silence for Ira Stepanian.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202916 (ID:15651)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 14, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 202917 (ID:15668)

By Ald. McWatters, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Elections Department on its outstanding execution of early voting in last November's Presidential election.

Alderman McWatters and Alderman Connolly presented a Citation to the Elections Department for their outstanding execution of early voting.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 202918 (ID:15653) Submitted by Eversource to install 42 feet of conduit in Medford Street, from Manhole #7418 to a point of pickup at 483 Medford Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Grant of Location 202919 (ID:15654) Submitted by Eversource to install 116 feet of conduit in Linwood Street, from Manhole #22391 to a point of pickup at 161 Linwood Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 202920 (ID:15655) Submitted by Eversource to install a new joint-owned Pole #228/7 on Medford Street, and 8 feet of conduit in Medford Street running from that pole to a point of pickup at 38-42 Medford Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

202921 (ID:15626) Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of February 27, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Now that the reconstruction has been approved, the final step is the vote from the Aldermen to approve the financing.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

8. Order 202922 (ID:15627)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with the Committee on Public Health and Safety, the plan for using any proceeds realized from medical marijuana facilities.

Alderman Rossetti said that 4% of proceeds from medical marijuana sales would go to the City. She would like to hear from the Administration on how those proceeds will be expended.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

9. Order 202923 (ID:15634)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to eliminate the requirement that members of the Licensing Commission be members of any political parties.

Alderman Heuston is looking to amend the City Charter so anyone applying to the Licensing Commission or Election Commission won't be required to be a registered Republican or Democrat.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

10. Order 202924 (ID:15635)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Clerk, in consultation with the Administration, review qualifications for all boards and commissions as to whether political party membership is required, and report back to this Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

11. Order 202925 (ID:15636)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the sidewalks around the Cedar Street sewer and water project, including Summer Street between Cedar and Cherry Streets and Cedar Street from Elm Street to the Community Path.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 202926 (ID:15637)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking erect signs at the city borders encouraging motorists to drive safely and informing them of the 25 mph speed limit and 20 mph safety zones.

Alderman Niedergang feels it would be a good idea to put up signs entering the City informing motorists of the 25 mph speed limit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 202927 (ID:15638)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the Administration's intention to budget in FY18 for workforce development and job training programs.

Alderman Niedergang requested the Director of SPCD report the intention to budget in FY18 for workforce development and job training.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

14. Order

By Ald. Davis

202928 (ID:15639)

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing bricks in Davis Square including outside Middlesex Federal Savings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Resolution

By Ald. Davis

202929 (ID:15640)

That the Administration advise the Ward 6 Alderman on subsurface infrastructure repairs and any other issues that are delaying the Davis Square Streetscapes Initiative.

Alderman Davis would like information on the infrastructure repairs needed in Davis Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order

By Ald. Davis

202930 (ID:15641) That the City Solicitor advise the Ward 6 Alderman on whether the city's noise ordinance can be enforced against waste companies that empty dumpsters overnight and in the early morning.

Alderman Davis would like to see the noise ordinance enforced to keep waste companies from emptying dumpsters in the early morning and overnight.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

17. Order

By Ald. Davis

202931 (ID:15642) That the Director of Traffic and Parking advise the Ward 6 Alderman whether a STOP sign can be placed on Meacham Road at Buena Vista Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order

By Ald. Davis

202932 (ID:15643) That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Ward 6 Alderman with a list, by street address, of actions taken to address concerns with the new LED streetlights.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order

By Ald. Davis

202933 (ID:15644) That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking advise this Board whether diagonal crosswalk markings can be painted at certain intersections.

Alderman Davis would like to know if diagonal crosswalks should be installed at certain crossings. He has heard that it may not currently be legal to cross diagonally, even with a Walk sign.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

20. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 202934 That the Director of SPCD consider placing Pitman Street on the 2017 street

(ID:15645) resurfacing list.

> **APPROVED RESULT:**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

21. Order By Ald. McWatters, Heuston

> 202935 That the Commissioner of Public Works consider providing additional (ID:15646) electrical power to Union Square for the Fluff Fest and other community

> > events, to avoid potential power outages.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

22. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 202936 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the trash receptacle in front of

Union Square Donuts. (ID:15647)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

23. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean Bonair Street of debris. 202937

(ID:15648)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

24. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

> That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash from the tree at 12 202938

Mt. Vernon Street. (ID:15649)

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order By Ald. White Jr.

> 202939 Proposing an updated amendment to the Rules of this Board (previously (ID:15656)

submitted as #202870), to permit the issuance of subpoenas for the attendance

of witnesses and the production of documents.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

26. Order By Ald. White Jr.

> 202870 Proposing an amendment to the Rules of this Board, to permit the issuance of subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents. (ID:15575)

This item was replaced by #202957.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A.	Committee Report	Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on March 1, 2017.
	202940 (ID:15628)	Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. At that meeting, approvals to various Commissions were approved, as well as appointments to the Police Reserve List.  Alderman McLaughlin recused on all matters in Committee.  RESULT: APPROVED
B.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Lunita Johnson to the Fair Housing Commission.
	202285 (ID:14944)	RESULT: WITHDRAWN
C.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Claudia DeAndrade to the Fair Housing Commission.
	202816 (ID:15463)	RESULT: APPROVED
D.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Richard Johnson to the Veterans Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.
	202817 (ID:15503)	RESULT: APPROVED
E.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Elizabeth Minahan to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.
	202818 (ID:15508)	RESULT: APPROVED
F.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Kevin Dickinson to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.
	202819 (ID:15509)	RESULT: APPROVED
G.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Norbert D'Amato to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.
	202820 (ID:15510)	RESULT: APPROVED
Н.	Mayor's Request	Requesting the appointment of Ricardo Maldonado to the Veterans' Commission on Monuments, Memorials and Dedications.
	202821 (ID:15511)	RESULT: APPROVED

I. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Mackenzie Richardson to the Police Reserve Request List. 202890 **RESULT:** APPROVED (ID:15566) J. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Justin Brown to the Police Reserve List. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202891 (ID:15567) K. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Justin Buswell to the Police Reserve List. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202892 (ID:15568) L. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Mark McLaughlin to the Police Reserve List. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202893 (ID:15569) Requesting the appointment of Sergio Costa to the Police Reserve List. M. Mayor's Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202894 (ID:15570) N. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Jessica R. Alter to the Commission for Women. Request **RESULT: APPROVED** 202896 (ID:15421) O. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Kaitlyn P. Dmyterko to the Commission for Request Women. 202897 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15422) P. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Stephanie Goodell to the Commission for Request Women. 202898 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15423)

### 28. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee
Report
202941
(ID:15631)

Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel
Matters, meeting on March 9, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She stated there was an appointment to the Police Reserve List, and two Fire Department promotions.

Ald. McLaughlin recused on all matters in Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Requesting the appointment of Seamus Lynch to the Police Reserve List.

Reguest 202895

RESULT: APPROVED

(ID:15571)

C. Mayor's Request 202889 (ID:15572) Requesting the appointment of Patrick Halloran to the position of Fire Lieutenant.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 202888 (ID:15573) Requesting the appointment of Robert McCarthy to the position of District Fire Chief.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 29. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202942 (ID:15629) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on March 2, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Mayor Curtatone opened, saying he wants to re-launch a conversation about Union Square. A chart was presented, showing the different development activities there. The Committee discussed the proposed Master Land Disposition Agreement between the Redevelopment Authority, which controls 7 parcels in Union Square, and the Master Developer, US2. The Committee discussed the delay of any final vote by the Redevelopment Authority until a Public Hearing is held to obtain public input and respond to public questions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 30. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 202943 (ID:15630) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on March 7, 2017.

The Chairman asked to delay his report until the next meeting of this Board.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

31. Mayor's Request 202944 (ID:15632) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$255,982,704 in a bond for the construction of a new Somerville High School.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 202945 (ID:15609) Requesting the appropriation of \$350,000 from the CPA Fund historic resources and undesignated reserve budgets to the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development for the rehabilitation of the roof of the Grace Baptist Church.

Ald. White recused.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

33. Mayor's Request 202946 (ID:15633) Requesting the use of available funds of \$11,091.20 in the Health and Human Services Salaries Account to establish a new position of Health Assistant.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 33 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

34. Mayor's Request 202947 (ID:15618) Requesting approval to extend the Parson's Brinkerhoff Union Square Utility and Infrastructure engineering contract.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 34 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

35. Mayor's Request 202948 (ID:15621) Requesting the appointment of Mackenzie Richardson to the position of Police Officer effective March 13, 2017.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

36. Mayor's Request 202949 (ID:15622) Requesting the appointment of Justin Brown to the position of Police Officer effective March 13, 2017.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

RESULT: APPROVED

37. Mayor's Request 202950 (ID:15623) Requesting the appointment of Mark McLaughlin to the position of Police Officer effective March 13 2017.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

RESULT: APPROVED

38. Mayor's Request 202951 (ID:15624) Requesting the appointment of Sergio Costa to the position of Police Officer effective May 22, 2017.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

RESULT: APPROVED

39. Mayor's Request 202952 (ID:15619) Requesting the re-appointment of Juliette Rooney-Varga to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

40. Mayor's Request 202953 (ID:15620) Requesting the re-appointment of Stephen Moore to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

41. Mayor's Request 202954 (ID:15610) Requesting the appointment of Ramon Bueno to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

42. Mayor's Request 202955 (ID:15611) Requesting the appointment of Michelle Melton to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

43. Officer's 202956

(ID:15600)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202717 re: home addresses on Communication Residential Guest Parking Permits.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 43 through 49 and place them on file, with follow-ups by the appropriate Committees.

There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

44. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202870 re: an amendment to the Rules Communication of the Board of Aldermen.

202957 (ID:15616)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

45. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor submitting an opinion regarding the posting of official Communication Speed Limit signs.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/23/17.

202958

**RESULT:** (ID:15617)

PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

46. Officer's Communication 202959

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

(ID:15606)

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

47. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/14/17.

Communication 202960 (ID:15605)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

48. Officer's Communication

Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/23/17.

202961 (ID:15613)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

49. Officer's Communication 202962

(ID:15612)

Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/14/17.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

> Licenses and Permits Committee Traffic and Parking Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

50. 202963

(ID:15657)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Connexion Church Community Easter Egg Hunt, Chuckie Harris Park, Apr 15, Noon-4PM.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 50 through 57 and approve them, except for item 57 which should be referred to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

51. 202964

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Independent Film Festival, Somerville Theatre area, Apr 26-May 2, 10AM-Midnight.

(ID:15658)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

52. License/Permit 202965

Public Event Permit, Tufts Graduate Student Council, Tufts Campus area, Apr 29, 9AM-1PM.

(ID:15659)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. License/Permit 202966

Public Event Permit, Union Square Farmers Market, Union Square Plaza, Saturdays May 13-Nov 18, 7AM-2PM.

(ID:15660)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

54. 202967 (ID:15661)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, MSPCA Angell Fast and Furriest 5K Run-Walk-Wag, Assembly Row-Mystic River area, May 20-21, Setup May 20 4PM-May 21 5PM, Race May 21 8AM-3PM.

55. 202968

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Veterans Memorial Parade, Highland Ave at Walnut St to Broadway at Rt 16, May 21, 8AM-6PM.

(ID:15662)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 202969

Public Event Permit, Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, HS Atrium to Mystic Housing Development and back, Jun 11, Noon-4:30PM.

(ID:15663)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

57. 202970

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

(ID:15664)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

58. **Public**  Green Cab requesting a waiver of Taxi Medallion fees.

Communication 202971 (ID:15665)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 58 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

59. **Public** 

Communication 202972 (ID:15666)

Tufts University submitting its Spring 2017 University Accountability report.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 59 and place it on file with a copy to the Housing and Community Development Committee.

There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

60. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

202973 (ID:15671) That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the tree planting plan for

the city, by Ward.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

61. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

202974 (ID:15672)

That the Director of Parks and Recreation provide this Board with a fields maintenance plan, and comment on the current condition of the East

Somerville Community School artificial turf field.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

62. Order 202975 (ID:15673)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint 20 MPH, highlighted in a circle, on Broadway and Powder House Blvd, to inform drivers entering Somerville from Route 16 of the city's speed limit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

63. Mayor's Request 202976 (ID:15615) Requesting approval for the Information Technology Department to enter into a 3 year hardware and software lease maintenance agreement with current network support vendor EPLUS.

Director of Information Technology Bruce Desmond spoke about the agreement, and said he was asking for quick approval because the current contract has expired and the vendor will no longer provide support without it. He said he has funds in his budget to cover the additional expense.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Mayor's Request 202977 (ID:15652) Requesting an appropriation of \$41,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to conduct a Police Department Headquarters Feasibility Study.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

65. Mayor's Request 202978 (ID:15669) Requesting the appointment of a member of this Board to the Mayor's Advisory Committee on Jobs Linkage.

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** The President appointed Alderman Ballantyne to this

Committee.

66. Officer's DPW Co Communication evening.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted this

202979 (ID:15670)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 66 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

67. License/Permit 202980

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, James Kiley Co, 15 Linwood St.

(ID:15675)

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RESULT: APPROVED

# LATE ITEMS

68. Grant of Location 202869 (ID:15594) Submitted by Eversource to relocate 23 poles and 1 steel guy pole, and remove 1 pole, along the length of Beacon Street as part of the street widening project.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits. Eversource has updated its plans to match MA DOT plans for the roadway.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** The Approved Grant of Location is based on the Plans

that were revised on March 3, 2017, removing 2 Poles

and relocating 28 Poles.

69. Resolution 202981 (ID:15674)

By Ald. White Jr.

That an Eversource representative attend a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Works to explain the repeated power outages in the area around Assembly Row, including Ten Hills, and in other areas around the city, and to provide evidence that Eversource is making sufficient investments in equipment serving these areas.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

70. Order 202982 (ID:15677)

By Ald. Connolly

That this Board amend the approval of the March 19 Race of Ireland Road Race (#202911) to allow the course route to be reversed.

Alderman Connolly would like the March 19, 2017 Race of Ireland route to be reversed to minimize traffic tie-ups.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

71. Order 202983

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer inspect Beacon Place and Wyatt Circle for adequate drainage and determine if improvements are necessary.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

72. Order 202984

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:15679)

(ID:15678)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report the number of guest passes and resident parking stickers issued for FY15, FY16 and FY17 to date.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

73. Public Harvard University submitting its Spring 2017 University Accountability Communication report.

202985

(ID:15676)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:45 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Absent	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 202986 (ID:15705) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Carla Marie Ferrari. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Christina Wood. Alderman McLaughlin held a moment of silence for Christine Cremin.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 202987 (ID:15706)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 23, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 202988 (ID:15708)

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the DPW employees who clear the public ways of snow, for the outstanding job they do.

Aldermen Heuston and McWatters commended the DPW employees for their outstanding performance removing snow this year.

4. Citation 202989 (ID:15709)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board

Commending Daniel Spinosa on the happy occasion of his 95th birthday.

Alderman Sullivan commended Daniel Spinosa on his 95th birthday.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 202990 (ID:15710) Submitted by Eversource to install 43 feet of conduit in Cleveland Street, from Pole 420/3 to a point of pickup at 23 Cleveland Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Katie Flaherty with Eversourse discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Order 202991 (ID:15683)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, Heuston

That Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking report to this Board on the current policy, or plans, to include bicycle safety education materials in parking permit renewal mailings, and involve this Board and the Bicycle Committee to develop or expand such a program.

Alderman Davis requested the Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking report on the status of bike safety educational materials that are intended to be distributed to residents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

7. Order 202992 (ID:15699)

By Ald. Davis

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment and the City Solicitor advise this Board on the feasibility requiring certain commercial and multifamily buildings to require composting as a part of regular waste disposal.

Alderman Davis would like the Director of Sustainability and Environment to advise the Board on composting requirements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

8. Order 202993 (ID:15691) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board on the planned curbside composting pilot program, and on other possible programs to promote composting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

9. Order 202994 (ID:15692)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the community gardens program, and what steps are being taken to develop new community gardens for the hundreds of residents on the waiting list.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

10. Order 202995 (ID:15693)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of SPCD redesign the asphalt front playground at the Kennedy School and work with all stakeholders to make it usable by more people for a broader range of activities.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

11. Order 202996 (ID:15687)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police investigate the rash of package thefts in the Prospect Hill area, and update the Ward 3 Alderman with the investigation's progress.

Alderman McWatters would like an update on the investigation of recent package thefts in the Prospect Hill area.

RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order 202997 (ID:15688)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works consider installing an irrigation system for Prospect Hill Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

13. Order 202998 (ID:15689)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Summer Street, from Porter to Craigie Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

14. Order 202999 (ID:15690)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Silvey Place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order 203000 (ID:15695)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the pothole in front of 65 Grove Street.

16. Order 203001 (ID:15697)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis, Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Powderhouse Blvd. from the Powderhouse rotary to North Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 203002 (ID:15694)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., Sullivan, McWatters That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 161 Lowell Street for all violations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

18. Order 203003 (ID:15696)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the downed tree branch at 35 Winslow Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Resolution 203004 (ID:15698)

By Ald. White Jr., McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti That the Mayor work with the State Delegation on an agreement with the State to permit City crossing guards at the crosswalks at Highland Avenue and McGrath Highway, and to permit the Police Department to enforce traffic laws there.

Alderman McWatters would like to see a solution permitting local crossing guards for the crosswalks at the Highland Avenue-McGrath Highway intersection, and allowing local enforcement of the traffic laws there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

20. Committee Report 202943 (ID:15630) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on March 7, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were the four proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance that were discussed. The four items were 1) Rezoning Everett Street at Emerson Avenue from Neighborhood Business to Resident Business; 2) Rezoning Union Square in light of a Community Benefits Agreement; 3) Amending the Minimum Mixed Use Ratio; and 4) Amending how the floor area ratio is calculated.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 21. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203005 (ID:15701) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on March 22, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about the new High School plans and the amount of usable and accessible green space. Superintendent Skipper spoke about the beautiful design of the school and its 21st Century learning capabilities. The construction document should be ready by April 2018. The plan is to break ground early 2018 with minimal impact to students. Mr. Bean explained that the \$255,982,704 doesn't need to be borrowed all at the same time. The Committee discussed a thirty year debt service, with full debt service payments starting in 2026. The debt exclusion is limited to the length of the Bond. Alderman White requested that a document showing 5% interest rates for bonds and current interest rates, with updates for 2017, be prepared and posted on the City website. He also suggested setting up a reserve account, perhaps putting money aside to pay for the school or selling city property to defay its cost. Alderman Ballantyne asked about the retaining wall and concerns about erosion and requested an image to show what is currently included in the funding. Alderman Niedergang inquired about parking.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202815 (ID:15390) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$38,000 from the MA Office of Public Safety for Police Department staffing.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 202885 (ID:15564) Requesting acceptance of a \$120,000 grant that requires a match, from the Metro North Regional Employment Board to SPCD to promote advanced manufacturing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 202944 (ID:15632) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$255,982,704 in a bond for the construction of a new Somerville High School.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Connolly, Niedergang

E. Mayor's Request 202945 (ID:15609) Requesting the appropriation of \$350,000 from the CPA Fund historic resources and undesignated reserve budgets to the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development for the rehabilitation of the roof of the Grace Baptist Church.

F. Mayor's Request 202946 (ID:15633) Requesting the use of available funds of \$11,091.20 in the Health and Human Services Salaries Account to establish a new position of Health Assistant.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 202947 (ID:15618) Requesting approval to extend the Parson's Brinkerhoff Union Square Utility and Infrastructure engineering contract.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 22. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203006 (ID:15704) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on March 16, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed an Ordinance to safeguard vulnerable road users. There are about one thousand trucks that would need safety improvements. Another item was Director of SPCD's report on next steps for the Somerville Municipal Jobs Creation and Retention Trust Fund and job linkage fee for new commercial development. Alderman Ballantyne will join a new committee to work on it. Next was a discussion with the City Solicitor of a home rule petition to provide resident property owners relief from water and sewer charges and rates. The Committee also prepared a Resolution regarding Globe Direct advertising. Finally, they discussed with the Supervisor of Inspectional Services an annual rental registration program for properties with six or more rental units that are not owner occupied, to facilitate inspections.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 202238 (ID:14895) By Ald. Rossetti, Niedergang, White Jr., Ballantyne

That this Board review the attached policy from Cambridge regarding Globe Direct advertising and consider adopting it for Somerville.

Replaced by #203057, which was then approved.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Mayor's Request 202887 (ID:15591)

Requesting that this Board approve a 2017 local election calendar.

Replaced by #203012, which was then approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

D. Order 203007 (ID:15755) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor review whether the Plastic Bag Ordinance could affect the distribution of Globe Direct advertising, and report back to this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 23.

A. Committee Report 203008 (ID:15700)

Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on March 23, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee considered renewing a used car dealer license for CM Auto Sales at 39 Webster Avenue. There was a lot of discussion about maintaining quality of life in the neighborhood, and limiting parking and vehicle-related safety issues in the area. The license was approved with conditions on the number of vehicles at the business, and a request that the DPW re-install a section of guard rail at the site.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. 202970

(ID:15664)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, CM Auto Sales, 39 Webster Ave.

# **RESULT:**

### APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

- **CONDITIONS:** 1. Approved for 14 vehicles only, to be parked pursuant to the 3/23/17 parking plan.
  - 2. Parking in the Newton Street bus stop prohibited for cars operated by the licensee, employees and customers.
  - 3. Note that this location has been designated an acquisition/disposition parcel under the Union Square Urban Revitalization Plan, and renewal of this license is not automatic. For further information, contact the city's Planning Department at 617-625-6600 x2500.

C. Order 203009 (ID:15753) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works install a guard rail at 39 Webster

Avenue, in the same location as it was before it was removed.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

#### OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE 24.

Committee A. Report 203010 (ID:15703) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on March 20, 2017.

**RESULT:** 

# LAID ON THE TABLE

B. Order 201488 (ID:14142) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD confirm that only native trees are being used in the Lincoln Park renovation and advise of the species.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE C. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, McWatters

201753 (ID:14409)

That the Mayor re-establish the Tree Advisory Committee, to be staffed by the full-time Arborist, expand its membership to 9 or 11 members, and broaden the scope of the Committee's duties.

#### LAID ON THE TABLE **RESULT:**

D. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang

202276 (ID:14948) That the Chair of the Conservation Commission report to this Board with an update on that Commission's activities, primary concerns, and issues that are being worked on.

#### LAID ON THE TABLE **RESULT:**

E. Order By Ald. Davis

202526 (ID:15273)

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with a list of problem lights and what was done to address them.

#### **RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

F. Order 202726 By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:15432)

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the City's position on installing artificial turf fields with crumb rubber infill while the US EPA studies the potential health and environmental hazards of such infill, and explain why the City doesn't use organic infill.

#### **RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

G. Order 202973 By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the tree planting plan for the city, by Ward. (ID:15671)

> **RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

#### 25. VETERANS AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Committee A. Report 203011 (ID:15702) Report of the Committee on Veterans and Public Services, meeting on March 20, 2017.

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the upcoming Memorial Day festivities. There will be a dedication ceremony on May 20 honoring former Mayor Eugene Brune for his military service, as well as a dedication of street corners. The Memorial Day Parade will kick off on May 21. The Committee also discussed a dedication for Joseph Mackey, a plaque for Fran Ferraro, and the future Veteran's Memorial Park. The Director of Veterans Services is still obtaining names for those who served in the Korean War to be placed on the memorial wall.

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

26. Mayor's Request Requesting approval of the attached 2017 Local Election Calendar.

203012 (ID:15686)

For discussion of this item, see #202887.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

27. Mayor's Request 203013 (ID:15684)

Requesting the appointment of Michael Perrone to the position of Police Sergeant.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 27 through 30 and approve items 28, 29 and 30, with item 27 referred to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

28. Mayor's Request 203014 (ID:15681)

Requesting the appointment of retired Police Officer Ernest Nadile, Jr. as a Special Police Officer.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

29. Mayor's Request 203015 (ID:15711) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

30. Mayor's Request 203016 (ID:15712) Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

**RESULT:** 

31. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202722 re: starting the process to Communication revoke the Lottery Commission License at Winter Hill Market.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

203017 (ID:15682)

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

32. Officer's Communication Street shaft site. 203018 (ID:15680)

Planning Director responding to #202802 re: the MBTA 343-351 Summer

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 32 and 33 and refer item 32 to the Committee on Housing and Community Development and item 33 to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee 33. Officer's Communication or vacated.

Personnel Director responding to #202850 re: updated report of positions filled

203019 (ID:15667)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

34. Officer's

Asst. City Solicitor responding to #202913 with a draft Home Rule Petition to Communication increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers to 68 years old.

203020 (ID:15685)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

35. Officer's 203021 (ID:15707)

City Clerk responding to #202924, determining that two Commissions, Communication Election and Licensing, include political party affiliation as a membership criterion.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### **NEW BUSINESS**

36. 203022

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Groundwork Somerville Maple Syrup Boil Down, Growing Center, Mar 18, 8:30AM-2:45PM (raindate Mar 25).

(ID:15713)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 62 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

37. 203023

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Dogfish Head Craft Brewery-Crosley Cruiser Record Day Tour, 5 parking spaces at 256 Elm St, Mar 31, 3-9PM.

(ID:15714)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

38. License/Permit 203024

Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Palm Sunday Donkey Walk, Powderhouse Park to College Ave to Davis Sq, Apr 9, 8:45-9:45AM.

(ID:15715)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

39. License/Permit 203025

Public Event Permit, Unity Somerville Easter Sunrise Service, Powderhouse Park, Apr 16, 5:45-7AM.

(ID:15716)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

40. 203026

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Cinema Somerville, Union Sq Plaza, May 6, 5:30-10:30PM (raindate May 7).

(ID:15717) **RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

41.	203027	Public Event Permit, West St Porchfest Potluck, West St, May 13, 10AM-8PM (raindate May 14).		
(ID:15718)		RESULT:	APPROVED	
203028			nit, Davis Sq Farmers Market, Municipal Lot at Day dnesdays May 17-Nov 22, 9:30AM-7PM.	
	(ID:15719)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
43.	License/Permit 203029	Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, James W Flett.	
	(ID:15720)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
44.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, RM Pacella.	
	203030 (ID:15721)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
45.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, Hydra Tech.	
	203031 (ID:15722)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
46.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, MT Mayo.	
	203032 (ID:15723)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
47.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, LaMountain Brothers.	
	203033 (ID:15724)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
48.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Your Space Landscape and Construction.	
	203034 (ID:15725)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
49.		Renewing Drainla	nyer's License, Mirra.	
	203035 (ID:15726)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
50.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Ferrante Construction.	
	203036 (ID:15727)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
51.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, G Greene Construction.	
	203037 (ID:15728)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Sean Farrell Excavation.	
	203038 (ID:15729)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
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53.		Renewing Drainlay	ver's License, D Muzzioli Associates.
	203039 (ID:15730)	RESULT:	APPROVED
54. License/Permit 203040 (ID:15733)		Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Kay Jewelers, 360 Artisan Way.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
55.	License/Permit 203041	Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Atlas Metals, 475 Columbia St.
	(ID:15734)	RESULT:	APPROVED
56.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Speedway, 709 McGrath Hwy.
	203042 (ID:15736)	RESULT:	APPROVED
57.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, DM Auto Body, 48 Joy St.
	203043 (ID:15737)	RESULT:	APPROVED
58.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Cataldo Ambulance Service, 4 Joy St.
	203044 (ID:15738)	RESULT:	APPROVED
59.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, JN Phillips, 47 Webster Ave.
	203045 (ID:15739)	RESULT:	APPROVED
60.	203046	Renewing Extende 137 Washington St	d Operating Hours License, Cataldo Ambulance Service,
	(ID:15731)	RESULT:	APPROVED
61.	203047	Renewing Extende Ave.	d Operating Hours License, Dunkin Donuts, 282 Somerville
	(ID:15732)	RESULT:	APPROVED
62. License/Permit		Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Ola Gifts Cafe, 112 Broadway.
	203048 (ID:15735)	RESULT:	APPROVED
63.	Public	Lauren Mucci subr	nitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.
	Communication 203049 (ID:15740)		requested to waive the readings of items 63 through 65 and Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the oved.
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	PLACED ON FILE Land Use Committee

64. Public

Mara Vorhees submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203050 (ID:15741)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

65. Public

Brandon Hanks submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203051 (ID:15742)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

66. Resolution

By Ald. Ballantyne

203052 (ID:15752) That the Administration re-examine the annual race routes through Davis, Teele and Powder House Squares and report to this Board's Committee on Licenses and Permits.

Alderman Ballantyne stated that there are about ten road races in Ward 7. She requested the Administration re-examine these routes.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

67. Order 203053

By Ald. Ballantyne

203053 (ID:15751) That the Director of Finance provide this Board's Finance Committee with updates regarding the city's debt.

Alderman Ballantyne requested the Director of Finance provide the Board with updates relating to the city's debt.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

68. Order 203054

By Ald. Heuston

203054 (ID:15750) That the Director of Traffic and Parking review the line of site for traffic turning from Summer Street onto Preston Road and recommend changes to parking and signage.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

69. Order 203055 (ID:15749)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider a resident petition for a change to Merriam Street from 2-way to 1-way and provide residents with related information.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

70. Mayor's Request 203056 (ID:15614) Requesting approval to pay 10 prior-year invoices totaling \$1,859.37 using FY17 funds in the Information Technology Leased Photo Copiers Account.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

71. Officer's 203057

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202238 by submitting a revised Communication Resolution regarding Globe Direct's distribution of advertising circulars.

For discussion of this item, see #202238. (ID:15745)

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

72. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted this Communication evening, 3/23/17.

203058 (ID:15748)

Alderman Lafuente requested to waive the reading of item 72 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

#### LATE ITEMS

73. Order By Ald. Ballantyne, McWatters, Niedergang, Sullivan

That the City Solicitor submit updated language to expand the Tree Advisory 203059 (ID:15754) Committee ordinance.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

> > **FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:15 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

April 13, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Absent	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 203060 (ID:15912) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for Larry Bolt, Emily Canty, John Doncaster and former Alderman Walter Pero. Alderman Heuston sponsored a moment of silence for Flora Pignatiello. Alderman Niedergang sponsored a moment of silence for Charlene Harris.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203061 (ID:15913)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 9, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203062 (ID:15921)

By Ald. Heuston, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Annie McCray, RN, who is retiring after a distinguished 50-year career of patient care at the Somerville Hospital.

Alderman Heuston will be presenting Annie McCray her Citation celebrating her 50-year career at her retirement party.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 203063 (ID:15785) Submitted by Comcast to install a handhold in the sidewalk at 1 College Ave, then install 89 feet of conduit in College Ave from Pole 156/1 to the handhold, and then to a point of pickup at 1 College Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. David Flewelling from Comcast discussed the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Resolution 203064 (ID:15766)

By Ald. Connolly

That the State delegation consider supporting legislation to expand the size of the yet-to-be-formed Cannabis Control Commission, from three members to five, to include appointments from other state offices.

Alderman Connolly reported that he has had many meetings with neighborhood groups regarding medical marijuana dispensaries in Davis Square, where one is currently under construction. There are concerns about recreational marijuana businesses. As regulations stand right now, a three member commission, the Cannabis Control Commission, set up under the State Treasurer, would regulate this multi-billion dollar industry. He feels this is not sufficient, and will negatively affect the City. He proposes supporting a proposal to increase the number of commissioners to five, with appointments from other State offices. Alderman Rossetti said she is working with the Law and Planning Departments on an ordinance on recreational marijuana.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Order 203065 (ID:15765)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works address the low hanging wire(s) at 104 Albion Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Resolution 203066 (ID:15782)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Administration update this Board on recent efforts to minimize Logan air traffic noise.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

8. Order 203067

By Ald. Rossetti

203067 That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of Information (ID:15783) Technology provide Parking Control Officers with the ability to review local infraction history by license plate.

Alderman Rossetti would like to see PCOs use updated technology to have as much information as possible on the vehicles they're monitoring.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

9. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

203068 (ID:15784) Reporting on the SHS Building Committee meeting of March 27, 2017.

The Committee set up specialized working groups to focus on the details of the project.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

10. Order 203069 (ID:15873)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr. That the Director of Capital Projects update this Board on the West Branch Library renovation plans and timeline, including possible dates for the next community meeting.

Alderman Connolly would like to be updated on this project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

11. Order 203070 (ID:15874) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with data on car ownership and parking issues at developments permitted in the past five years.

Alderman Niedergang would like data on the number of cars registered per unit for recent housing developments, to see whether parking projections are being met.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Order 203071 (ID:15875)

By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on discussions with DCR regarding city management of DCR fields such as Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields, and provide an updated Fields Master Plan if warranted.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

13. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

203072 (ID:15876)

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the backed-up storm drains at the southeast corner of Lowell and Hudson Streets and the northeast corner of Lowell and Albion Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

203073 (ID:15877) That the Director of Traffic and Parking discuss with the Ward 5 Alderman, the request for four no parking spots at the intersection of Murdock and Cedar Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

15. Order 203074 (ID:15878)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider prohibiting car traffic around Artisan Way and Assembly Row to allow for increased pedestrian accessibility.

Alderman McLaughlin would like to see this area become more pedestrian friendly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

16. Resolution 203075 (ID:15879)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Davis, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Administration work with Mass DOT to add Somerville to the state list for sound barriers along I-93.

Alderman McLaughlin wants Somerville added to the list for sound barriers, to reduce airborne pollution. Alderman Connolly noted his committee has spent a lot of time on this item, which is a public health issue, and the Board should lean hard on the State Delegation to get these barriers installed. On Alderman Heuston's motion, the Board approved a communication to the State Delegation asking them to take all reasonable measures to obtain approval for them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

17. Order 203076 (ID:15880)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 38 Illinois Avenue for illegal short term rental use.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order 203077 (ID:15882) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash under the Gilman Street bridge.

19. Order

203078

(ID:15883)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the trash from the tree at 38

Minnesota Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# 20. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203010 (ID:15703) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on March 20, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The committee discussed the tree planting plan for the City by Ward. There will be about seventy plantings this spring. The City is also looking to do a planting during the fall and will be looking for an appropriation of about \$150,000. There was also discussion of re-establishing the Tree Advisory Committee as the Urban Forestry Committee. There is a push to plant only native trees at Lincoln Park. The committee discussed expanding the community gardens, impacts of the Federal Clean Water Act, the removal of invasive species, improvements in green practices (i.e. fertilizers and pesticides), and artificial turf and why the City doesn't use organic infill.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 201488 (ID:14142) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD confirm that only native trees are being used in the Lincoln Park renovation and advise of the species.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Resolution 201753 (ID:14409)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, McWatters

That the Mayor re-establish the Tree Advisory Committee, to be staffed by the full-time Arborist, expand its membership to 9 or 11 members, and broaden the scope of the Committee's duties.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

D. Resolution 202276 (ID:14948)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chair of the Conservation Commission report to this Board with an update on that Commission's activities, primary concerns, and issues that are being worked on.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. Davis

202526 (ID:15273)

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with a list of problem lights and what

was done to address them.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order F. By Ald. Niedergang

> 202726 (ID:15432)

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board the City's position on installing artificial turf fields with crumb rubber infill while the US EPA studies the potential health and environmental hazards of such infill, and explain why the

City doesn't use organic infill.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

202973 (ID:15671) That the Director of SPCD provide this Board with the tree planting plan for the city, by Ward.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE 21.

Α. Committee Report 203079

(ID:15773)

Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on April 13, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The committee approved appointments to the Commission on Energy Use and

Climate Change. She then introduced Patrolman Michael Perone to be sworn in, after his promotion to Police Sergeant was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Request 202952 (ID:15619) Requesting the re-appointment of Juliette Rooney-Varga to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

C. Mayor's Request 202953 (ID:15620) Requesting the re-appointment of Stephen Moore to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

D. Mayor's Request 202954 (ID:15610) Requesting the appointment of Ramon Bueno to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

RESULT: **APPROVED**  E. Mayor's Request 202955 (ID:15611) Requesting the appointment of Michelle Melton to the Commission on Energy Use and Climate Change.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

F. Mayor's Request 203013 (ID:15684) Requesting the appointment of Michael Perrone to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 22. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203080 (ID:15767) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on April 3, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about a strategic plan for workforce development and job training. Tom Galligani, Director of Economic Development, will soon issue an RFP to develop this plan, and hopes to have it in place by July. The committee spoke about the sustainable neighborhoods working group's recommendations. Michael Felony, Housing Director, spoke about progress on affordable housing. The Redevelopment Authority's consideration of the Union Square Land Disposition Agreement was discussed. There were also updates from George Proakis, Planning Director, about Somervision goals. Lastly, Mark Levye, Chief Assessor, spoke about outreach to make seniors, veterans, and other qualified homeowners aware of exemptions and deferrals that could lower their property taxes.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 196188 (ID:8706) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Administration work with this Board to revise the Somervision Plan to provide more detailed goals with regard to affordable housing and the creation of a mix of housing units, especially those with more than 2 bedrooms, for long-term residents of all ages.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's SRA Specia Communication Agreement.

SRA Special Counsel conveying an Amended Master Developer Designation Agreement.

199896 (ID:12505)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's Communication 200852

(ID:13501)

Officer's Housing Director conveying the Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group Communication Recommendations Report.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202516

(ID:15221)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chief Assessor report to this Board about past and planned outreach to make seniors, veterans and other qualified homeowners aware of exemptions and deferrals that could ease their property tax burden, along with numerical goals, for FY17 to FY20.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution 202905 (ID:15598) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Administration delay any final vote by the Redevelopment Authority on the Union Square Land Disposition Agreement until a public hearing is held to obtain public input and respond to public questions, and until the Agreement is discussed with this Board.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Officer's Chief Assessor r Communication outreach efforts.

Chief Assessor responding to #202516 re: statutory tax exemptions and

202908 (ID:15466)

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

#### 23. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203081 (ID:15768) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April 4, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The meeting began with a presentation of the purported Union Square Community Benefits Covenant between the City and the Developer. The Covenant has a contingency that the zoning ordinance now before the Land Use Committee must be passed by May 31, 2017 without any material changes; and if it isn't, the Developer has the option to void the Covenant.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 24. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203082 (ID:15772) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April 12, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the item discussed at the meeting: Union Square zoning. Director of Planing George Proakis said there were changes made to the proposed zoning amendment's open space provisions, allowing for larger, more functional designs to the proposed open space areas. Also discussed was the minimum mixed use ratio.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 25. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

# A. Committee Report 203083 (ID:15771)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 6, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She spoke about the proposed Vulnerable Road User ordinance to safeguard pedestrians and cyclists by mandating safety equipment on trucks. The committee discussed city trucks, and a possible emergency clause for snow removal suppliers. The Director of SPCD, Michael Glavin, reported on the Municipal Jobs Creation and Retention Trust Fund and Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development. Assistant City Solicitor Jason Grossfield reviewed a draft Home Rule Petition to provide an exemption from water and sewer charges and rates, like the residental property tax exemption, for property owners who occupy their homes. The committee discussed whether the Plastic Bag Ordinance could impact the distribution of Globe Direct Advertising. Finally, the committee discussed a draft ordinance to protect trees on public property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# B. Order 199969

(ID:12589)

By Ald. Sullivan

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance to prohibit the sale and use of synthetic cannabinoids and other dangerous chemical compounds.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# C. Order 202201 (ID:14914)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to provide relief from water and sewer charges and rates to property owners who occupy their homes, by providing an exemption similar to the residential property tax exemption.

This item was approved as #203099.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# D. Order 203007

By Ald. Rossetti

203007 That the City Solicitor review whether the Plastic Bag Ordinance could affect the distribution of Globe Direct advertising, and report back to this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 26. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203084 (ID:15769) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on April 5, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting, including ISD issues, Air BnB and its effect on the City, I-93 sound barriers, and a Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of special police officers to 68 or 70. The Committee is planning a major discussion on bike safety.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order By Ald. Heuston

202335 (ID:15045) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 18 School Street for building and health code violations and contact the property owner to make necessary repairs.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Order By Ald. Niedergang

202515 (ID:15220) That the Commissioner of Public Works cause the responsible utility companies to raise or move the low-hanging wires that cross Benton Road

between numbers 75, 76 and 79. (second request)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

D. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 12/8/16.

Communication 202703 (ID:15283)

(ID:15583)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202877 By Ald. Niedergang

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the extent to which City inspectors enforce snow and ice removal in the city, broken down by ward, in response to complaints that many sidewalks were never cleared.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 203002 (ID:15694) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., Sullivan, McWatters That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 161 Lowell Street for all violations.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE 27.

Committee A. Report 203085 (ID:15770) Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on April 5, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Discussions were on double poles and on low hanging wires. Eversource currently has 63 double poles.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Order 196608 (ID:9149) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility regarding the double pole on Perkins Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED C. Order 196621 (ID:9163) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility and cable vendors to address the low hanging wires on Allen Street.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 196770 (ID:9300)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility company regarding the removal of double poles on Perkins Street, Glen Street, Cutter Street, Kennison Avenue and Garfield Street.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 196785 (ID:9320) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works explain the policy regarding the height of utility wires suspended from poles, and the protocols in place to ensure adherence to the policy.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 196913 (ID:9456) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the banks of the Mystic River along Assembly Row and ensure that a regular cleaning schedule is put in place.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 196970 (ID:9508) By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility companies to remove the double pole at the corner of Willow and Kidder Avenues.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 197233 (ID:9776) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Verizon to remove unused utility boxes from the side lawn of the West Somerville Neighborhood School, and from the north side of the grounds of the Powderhouse Community School.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 197429 (ID:9962) By Ald. Connolly, McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the depression in the roadway on Mt. Pleasant Street, just after its intersection with Broadway.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 197465 (ID:10087) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility company to realign the utility pole in front of 47 Oliver Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 197472

(ID:10096)

(ID:10247)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works contact NStar about removing the double pole at 72 Curtis Street. (2nd request.)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Order 197694

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works assess the adequacy of street lighting along Chester, Fitchburg and Poplar Streets, install additional lighting where needed and repair street lights which are not working on those streets.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 197773 (ID:10341) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works devise a strategy to address instances of low hanging utility/cable wires throughout Somerville.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Order 197917 (ID:10480) By Ald. Lafuente, Heuston, McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct all utility companies to clean up their lines throughout the city.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order 198109 (ID:10688) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility company to remove the double pole in front of 46 Elmwood Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Order 198213 (ID:10794)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the rotting 10 foot high tree base that is being used to anchor a telephone pole in front of 11 Barton Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Q. Order 199369 (ID:11955) By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Commissioner of Public Works immediately assess the stability of the listing utility pole at 6 Windsor Road and act expeditiously to remediate the double pole.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

R. Order 200136 (ID:12758) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the broken pedestrian warning signal for the exit from the Magoun Square CVS onto Medford Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

S. Order 200149 (ID:12771) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works plant grass in front of the East Branch Library.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

T. Order 200150 (ID:12772) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lights on

Broadway, from Fellsway West to Grant Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

U. Order 200151 (ID:12773) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street lights at 10

Wheatland Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

V. Officer's Communication 200192

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/24/15.

(ID:12736)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

W. Order 200266 (ID:12866) By Ald. Sullivan

That the Commissioner of Public Works repaint the faded NO CYCLING markers on sidewalks and install NO BIKE RIDING - PLEASE WALK

YOUR BIKE signs in central business districts.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION **FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

X. Order By Ald. Heuston

200276 (ID:12902) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the clock in the Argenziano School cafeteria which has been broken for the last 5 years.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Y. Order 200528 (ID:13176) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with a timeline for repair of the backstop behind the large baseball diamond at Trum Field, by Broadway and Charles E. Ryan Road.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED Z. Order By Ald. Niedergang 200529 That the Commissioner of Public Works make needed repairs to Trum Field in (ID:13177) time for the spring baseball season. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED Officer's AA. Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders Communication submitted 11/24/15. 200560 WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** (ID:13132) AB. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200747 That the Commissioner of Public Works consider using pet safe salt on city (ID:13379) walkways. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AC. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 200748 That the Commissioner of Public Works address the icing on Assembly Row (ID:13380) sidewalks. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AD. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/14/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 200759 (ID:13319) AE. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 1/28/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 200760 (ID:13382) AF. Order By Ald. Davis 200772 That the Commissioner of Public Works consider installing cigarette butt disposal boxes in public areas citywide. (ID:13438) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AG. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/11/16 Communication and 2/25/16. 200853 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:13491)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/10/16.

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WORK COMPLETED

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200989 (ID:13629)

Communication

**RESULT:** 

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AI.	Order 201011 (ID:13669)	By Ald. Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the 3 missing yellow bollards on the east side of the Lowell Street bridge at the Community Path Extension ramp. (2nd request)		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AJ.	Order 201133 (ID:13790)		oner of Public Works contact the appropriate utility to aging wire on Lincoln Avenue.  WORK COMPLETED	
AK.	Officer's Communication 201198 (ID:13752)	DPW Commissione RESULT:	er responding to various Board Orders submitted 3/24/16.  WORK COMPLETED	
AL.	Officer's Communication 201345 (ID:13947)	DPW Commissione RESULT:	work completed 4/14/16.	
AM.	Officer's Communication 201445 (ID:14041)	DPW Commissione RESULT:	er responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/28/16.  WORK COMPLETED	
AN.	Officer's Communication 201571 (ID:14133)	DPW Commissione RESULT:	er responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/12/16.  WORK COMPLETED	
AO.	Officer's Communication		er responding to supplemental Board Orders submitted	
	201572 (ID:14187)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AP.	Officer's Communication		er responding to various Board Orders submitted this	
	201573 (ID:14223)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AQ.	Order 201612 (ID:14275)		oner of Public Works trim all foliage blocking memorial affic signals, and parking regulation signs.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AR.	Order 201691 (ID:14359)	multiple poles) beh	oner of Public Works evaluate the low-hanging lines (from ind 52 Powder House Blvd.	
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WORK COMPLETED

**RESULT:** 

AS. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/9/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 201750 (ID:14337) AT. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/23/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 201815 (ID:14407) Order AU. By Ald. Ballantyne 201830 That the Commissioner of Public Works cut down the rotting 12 foot stump at 7 Barton Street. (ID:14469) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED By Ald. McWatters AV. Order 201908 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels from (ID:14599) Properzi Manner to Bow Street as they have become a public safety hazard. WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** AW. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/25/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 202136 (ID:14749) AX. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 202345 That the Commissioner of Public Works address the low hanging wires on (ID:15051) Mount Vernon Street and Washington Street. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AY. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/26/16. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 202383 (ID:14672) AZ. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted this Communication evening, 11/10/16. 202411 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15093) BA. Order By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan 202720 That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Eversource to replace the poles (ID:15426) at the corner of School Street and Oakland Avenue. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED BB. Order By Ald. McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels on 202780 (ID:15485) Warren Avenue from Properzi Manner to the Citizens Bank. WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

BC. Order

202783 (ID:15489) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Engineering report to this Board on the policy and timeline for repainting crosswalks that are erased due to repaving or construction.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BD. Order

202851 (ID:15549) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board why snow plows can't go slower to avoid throwing snow over the curb and onto sidewalks.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BE. Officer's

Communication 202959 (ID:15606)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/23/17.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BF. Officer's

Communication 202960 (ID:15605)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 2/14/17.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BG. Resolution

202981 (ID:15674) By Ald. White Jr.

That an Eversource representative attend a meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Works to explain the repeated power outages in the area around Assembly Row, including Ten Hills, and in other areas around the city, and to provide evidence that Eversource is making sufficient investments in equipment serving these areas.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BH. Order

202983 (ID:15678) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer inspect Beacon Place and Wyatt Circle for adequate drainage and determine if improvements are necessary.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BI. Resolution

203086 (ID:15832) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Administration appear before this Board to suggest how residents may report drops and low hanging wires to the DPW.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

28. Mayor's Request 203087 (ID:15759) Requesting the appropriation of \$203,378 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Reserve to the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development for Phase IB of the rehabilitation of the Grace Baptist Church.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 28 through 31 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

29. Mayor's Request 203088 (ID:15758) Requesting the appropriation of \$41,863 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve to the Mystic River Watershed Association for landscape design for the Blessing of the Bay Boathouse Park.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 203089 (ID:15757) Requesting the appropriation of \$33,176 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve to the Friends of the Community Growing Center for the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

31. Mayor's Request 203090 (ID:15760) Requesting the appropriation of \$6,300 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Reserve to the city's Planning Division for the restoration of grave markers in the Milk Row Cemetery.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Mayor's Request 203091 (ID:15775) Requesting approval of the 2017-2018 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG programming and the revised Community Participation Plan.

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the reading of item 32 and refer it to the Housing and Community Development Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

33. Mayor's Request 203092 (ID:15744) Requesting the acceptance of a \$34,283.75 grant with no new match required, from Metro North Regional Employment Board for the Health & Human Services Department's summer youth employment program.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 33 through 37 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Mayor's Request 203093 (ID:15762) Requesting acceptance of a \$4,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Public Health to the Fire Department for the Mass Decontamination Unit.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

35. Mayor's Request 203094

Requesting acceptance of a \$3,000 grant with no new match required, from the Somerville Housing Authority to the Arts Council for the Mystic Mural Program.

(ID:15774)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

36. Mayor's Request 203095 (ID:15746)

Requesting the acceptance of a \$2,000 grant with no new match required, from the Mt. Auburn Community Benefit Grant for the Health & Human Services Department's Trauma Response Network.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

37. Mayor's Request 203096 (ID:15743)

Requesting acceptance of a \$1,000 grant with no new match required, from the Mount Auburn Hospital to the Health and Human Services Department for prostate cancer awareness.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

38. Officer's Communication 203097

(ID:15776)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting the US2-City Development Covenant.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 38 and 39 and refer them to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

Legislative Matters Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

39. Officer's 203098

Assistant City Solicitor submitting an Ordinance to create a Community Communication Benefits Committee.

(ID:15777)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

40. Officer's 203099 (ID:15780)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting a Home Rule Petition authorizing an Communication exemption for certain owner-occupied residential properties for water and sewer charges and rates.

For discussion of this item, see #202201.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: McWatters, Lafuente 41. Officer's 203100 (ID:15914)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202853, an updated Communication amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create a new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial sub-districts, a new Coordinated Development Plan Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

> Alderman Davis requested to waive the readings of items 41 through 44 and place them on file, with copies to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

42. Officer's 203101

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202864, an Updated Communication Article 16B in the City's Zoning Ordinances to establish a minimum mixed use ratio.

(ID:15904)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

43. Officer's Communication 203102 (ID:15907)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202854 a Zoning Amendment to adjust the definition of Net Floor Area, clarify affordable housing requirements in RA and RB districts, and confirm the process to approve subdivisions, lot splits, lot mergers and lot line adjustments.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

44. Officer's 203103 (ID:15908)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202852 a Zoning Communication Amendment to re-zone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

> RESULT: PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

45. Officer's 203104

(ID:15786)

Retirement Board notifying this Board of a vote at the Retirement Board's May Communication 25, 2017, meeting regarding a 2017 Cost of Living Adjustment for eligible retirees.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 45 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

46. Officer's Communication 203105 (ID:15763)

Chief Assessor responding to #202902 re: residential exemption verifications.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 46 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Officer's
Communication
203106

Officer's Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the Communication 3/23/17 meeting.

(ID:15764) Alderman Davis requested to waive the readings of items 47 and 48 and refer them to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

Public Health and Public Safety Committee

48. Officer's Director of Traf. Communication 3/9/17 meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the 3/9/17 meeting.

203107 (ID:15747)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

49. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Very Somerville Birthday Party, 19 Broadway, Mar 29, 203108 4-7PM.

(ID:15787)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 129 and approve them, except for items 78 and 121, which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

50. License/Permit 203109

Public Event Permit, Union Square Main Streets Second Saturday Spring Thing, Union Sq Plaza, Apr 8, Noon-4:30PM.

(ID:15788)

RESULT: APPROVED

51. License/Permit 203110

Public Event Permit, Dormition of the Virgin Mary Holy Friday Funeral Procession, 29 Central St area, Apr 14, 8:30-9:30PM.

(ID:15789)

RESULT: APPROVED

52. License/Permit 203111

Public Event Permit, Community Growing Center 2017 Events, Growing Center at 22 Vinal Ave, May 1-Oct 31, various times.

(ID:15790)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

53. License/Permit 203112 (ID:15791)

Public Event Permit, Somerville Open Studios Information Booth, Davis Sq Statue Park, May 6-7, 11:30AM-6:30PM.

RESULT:

APPROVED

54.	203113	Public Event Permit, Banks St PorchFest, May 13, Noon-6PM (raindate May 14).		
	(ID:15792)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
55.	203114		nit, Goondocks PorchFest, Pearson Rd from Broadway to 3, 11AM-8PM (raindate May 14).	
	(ID:15793)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
56.	203115	Public Event Perr 17, 3-6PM.	nit, Day of Portugal Parade, Concord Sq and area streets, Jun	
	(ID:15794)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
57.		Public Event Perr	nit, Wallace St Block Party, Jun 24, 1-9PM (raindate Jun 25).	
	203116 (ID:15795)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
58.	203117	Public Event Perr Park, Jun 25, 10:3	nit, Garden Club Tours Information Booth, Davis Sq Statue 80AM-4PM.	
	(ID:15796)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
59.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, AP Flowers and Son.	
	203118 (ID:15797)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
60.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Caruso and McGovern Construction.	
	203119 (ID:15798)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Tim Zanelli Excavating.	
	203120 (ID:15799)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Tri Construction.	
	203121 (ID:15800)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, NELM.	
	203122 (ID:15801)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.		Renewing Drainla	ayer's License, Insite Contracting.	
	203123 (ID:15802)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

65.		Renewing Drainlayer's License, CJ Doherty.		
	203124 (ID:15803)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.		Renewing Drainlay	ver's License, Riley Brothers.	
	203125 (ID:15804)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.		Renewing Drainlay	ver's License, PT Kelley.	
	203126 (ID:15805)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 203127	Renewing Garage I	License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 19 Joy St.	
	(ID:15806)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.		Renewing Garage I	License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood St.	
	203128 (ID:15807)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
70.	License/Permit 203129	Renewing Garage I	License, Herb Chambers I-93, 259 McGrath Hwy.	
	(ID:15808)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
71.	License/Permit 203130	Renewing Garage I	License, Herb Chambers I-93, 71 Linwood St.	
	(ID:15809)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
72.	203131	Renewing Garage I Pkwy.	License, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook	
	(ID:15810)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
73.		Renewing Garage I	License, Tracer Technologies, 20 Assembly Sq Dr.	
	203132 (ID:15811)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
74.		Renewing Garage I	License, Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave.	
	203133 (ID:15812)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
75.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage I	License, Teele Sq Auto, 1284 Broadway.	
	203134 (ID:15813)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
76.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage I	License, Fabrizio Realty Group, 290R Somerville Ave.	
	203135 (ID:15814)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

77.		Renewing Garage License, Real Auto Shop, 463 McGrath Hwy.	
	203136 (ID:15815)	RESULT: APPROVED	
78.		Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 69 Webster Ave.	
	203137 (ID:15816)	RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Licenses and Permits Committee	
79.		Renewing Garage License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St.	
	203138 (ID:15817)	RESULT: APPROVED	
80.		Renewing Garage License, FW Russell and Sons Disposal, 120 McGrath Hwy.	
	203139 (ID:15818)	RESULT: APPROVED	
81.		Renewing Garage License, Gasper Ostuni, 195 Highland Ave.	
	203140 (ID:15819)	RESULT: APPROVED	
82.		Renewing Garage License, Beacon Sales, 50 Webster Ave.	
	203141 (ID:15820)	RESULT: APPROVED	
83.		Renewing Garage License, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect St.	
	203142 (ID:15821)	RESULT: APPROVED	
84.		Renewing Garage License, Original Auto Body and Mechanic, 12 Joy St.	
	203143 (ID:15822)	RESULT: APPROVED	
85.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Modern Floors, 22 Marshall St.	
	203144 (ID:15823)	RESULT: APPROVED	
86.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Triumvirate Environmental, 191 Inner Belt Rd.	
	203145 (ID:15824)	RESULT: APPROVED	
87.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Drain Doctor, 612 Broadway.	
	203146 (ID:15825)	RESULT: APPROVED	
88.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Partners HealthCare System, 399 Revolution Dr.	
	203147 (ID:15826)	RESULT: APPROVED	

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89. License/Permit 203148		Renewing Garage License, Mass Inspection, 712 Mystic Ave.
	(ID:15827)	RESULT: APPROVED
90.		Renewing Garage License, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.
	203149 (ID:15828)	RESULT: APPROVED
91.		Renewing Garage License, Leins Auto Repair, 69 Bow St.
	203150 (ID:15829)	RESULT: APPROVED
92.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Hawkins Street Automotive, 9 Hawkins St.
	203151 (ID:15830)	RESULT: APPROVED
93.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Broadway Sunoco, 258 Broadway.
	203152 (ID:15831)	RESULT: APPROVED
94.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 70R Third Ave.
	203153 (ID:15833)	RESULT: APPROVED
95.		Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 132 Washington
	203154 (ID:15834)	St.  RESULT: APPROVED
		RESULT: AFFROVED
96.	License/Permit 203155	Renewing Flammables License, Keolis Commuter Services, 23R Inner Belt Rd.
	(ID:15835)	RESULT: APPROVED
97.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 259 McGrath Hwy.
	203156 (ID:15836)	RESULT: APPROVED
98.	License/Permit	Renewing Flammables License, Lub-O-Line #529, 9 Florence St.
	203157 (ID:15837)	RESULT: APPROVED
99.		Renewing Flammables License, Lub-O-Line #849, 9 Florence St.
	203158 (ID:15838)	RESULT: APPROVED
100.	License/Permit 203159	Renewing Flammables License, William Doucette Auto Sales, 325 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
	(ID:15839)	RESULT: APPROVED

101.	License/Permit 203160 (ID:15840)	Renewing Flammables License, Teele Square Auto, 1284 Broadway.  RESULT: APPROVED
102.		Renewing Flammables License, Cumberland Farms, 701 Somerville Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
103.	License/Permit 203162 (ID:15842)	Renewing Flammables License, Somerville Mobil, 360 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
104.	License/Permit 203163 (ID:15843)	Renewing Flammables License, Faulkner Brothers, 13 Alpine St.  RESULT: APPROVED
105.	License/Permit 203164 (ID:15844)	Renewing Flammables License, Trum Field Sunoco, 541 Broadway.  RESULT: APPROVED
106.	License/Permit 203165 (ID:15845)	Renewing Flammables License, Beacon Sales, 50 Webster Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
107.	License/Permit 203166 (ID:15846)	Renewing Flammables License, Cubby Oil, 20 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
108.	License/Permit 203167 (ID:15847)	Renewing Flammables License, Somerville Gas and Service, 16 Medford St.  RESULT: APPROVED
109.	License/Permit 203168 (ID:15848)	Renewing Flammables License, U-Haul of Boston, 600 Mystic Valley Pkwy.  RESULT: APPROVED
110.	License/Permit 203169 (ID:15849)	Renewing Flammables License, BBS Services, 45 Broadway.  RESULT: APPROVED
111.	License/Permit 203170 (ID:15850)	Renewing Flammables License, Broadway Sunoco, 258 Broadway.  RESULT: APPROVED
112.	License/Permit 203171 (ID:15851)	Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 7 Herbert St.  RESULT: APPROVED

113.	License/Permit 203172 (ID:15852)	Renewing Outdoor RESULT:	Parking License, Urban Equity Development, 55 Day St.  APPROVED
114.	License/Permit 203173	Renewing Outdoor St.	Parking License, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 161 Linwood
	(ID:15853)	RESULT:	APPROVED
115.	203174	Renewing Outdoor McGrath Hwy.	Parking License, FW Russell and Sons Disposal, 120
	(ID:15854)	RESULT:	APPROVED
116.	203175	Renewing Outdoor RESULT:	Parking License, Martha Lee Trust, 147 Highland Ave.  APPROVED
	(ID:15855)	RESULT.	ATTROVED
117.	203176	Renewing Extended Broadway.	d Operating Hours License, Wang's Fast Food, 509
	(ID:15856)	RESULT:	APPROVED
203177		Renewing Extended Somerville Ave.	d Operating Hours License, Dunkin' Donuts, 282
	(ID:15857)	RESULT:	APPROVED
119.	203178	Renewing Extended Professors Row.	d Operating Hours License, Tisch Library Cafe, 35
	(ID:15858)	RESULT:	APPROVED
120.	203179	Renewing Extended Professors Row.	d Operating Hours License, Mayer Campus Center, 44
	(ID:15859)	RESULT:	APPROVED
121.		Renewing Extended	d Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St.
	203180 (ID:15860)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee
122.		Renewing Junk Dea	aler's License, Tosh Enterprises, 260 Elm St.
	203181 (ID:15861)	RESULT:	APPROVED
123.	License/Permit	Renewing Junk Dea	aler's License, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.
	203182 (ID:15862)	RESULT:	APPROVED

124.		Renewing Junk Dealer's License, Talewsky Enterprises, 508 Columbia St.		
	203183 (ID:15863)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
125.		Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, The Juice Union, 23A Bow St.	
	203184 (ID:15864)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
126.		Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Boston Burger, 37 Davis Sq.	
	203185 (ID:15865)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
127.		Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Pizzeria Posto, 187 Elm St.	
	203186 (ID:15866)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
128.		Renewing Mobile	Food Vendor License, Wizard Catering.	
	203187 (ID:15867)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
129.	203188	Renewing Open Air Vendor License, Next Wave/Full Circle School, 0 Broadway at Foss Park.		
	(ID:15868)			
	(ID:13808)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
130.	Public		APPROVED  atting comments re: Mr. B's operating hours.	
130.	Public Communication			
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130. 131.	Public Communication 203189 (ID:15869) Public Communication	Hoikki Ilker submi  RESULT: FOLLOWUP:  Publishers Circulat	etting comments re: Mr. B's operating hours.  PLACED ON FILE	
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133. Public Union Union Communication Covenant.

Union United submitting comments re: the Union Square Development

203192 (ID:15872)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

134. Public

Briana Weisgerber submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203193 (ID:15884)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

135. Public

Lou Carrier submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203194 (ID:15885)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

136. Public Diane Communication zoning.

Diane Goodwin Papadakos submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq

203195 (ID:15886)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE
FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

137. Public Communication

Ravi Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203196 (ID:15887)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

138. Public

Poonam Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203197 (ID:15888)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

139. Public

Emily Reichert submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203198 (ID:15889)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

140. Public

Adam Dash submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203199 (ID:15890)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

141. Public

Union United submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203200 (ID:15891)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

142. Public

Sean Selby submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203201 (ID:15892)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

143. Public

John Wiseman submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203202 (ID:15893)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

144. Public

Andrea Morton submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203203 (ID:15894)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

145. Public

Robert Arnold submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203204 (ID:15895)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

146. Public

Sandra McGoldrick submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203205 (ID:15896)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

147. Public

Tom Bent submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203206 (ID:15897)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

148. Public

Sarah Rodewald submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203207 (ID:15898)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

149. Public

Don Hughes submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203208 (ID:15899)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

150. Public

Peter Quinn submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203209 (ID:15900)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

151. Public

Michael Winston submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203210 (ID:15901)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

152. Public

Communication

Charles McKenzie submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203211 (ID:15902) **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

153. Public

Claudia Robaina submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203212 (ID:15903)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

154. Public Somerville Communication Sq zoning.

Somerville Chamber of Commerce submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sa zoning.

203213 (ID:15905)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

155. Public

Elio LoRusso submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203214 (ID:15906)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

156. Public

Ben Holmes submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203215 (ID:15909)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

157. Public Union S Communication zoning.

Union Square Station Associates submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203216 (ID:15911)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

### **SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

158. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

203217 (ID:15917) That the Director of SPCD provide, by 4/18/17, an assessment of the FRIT Assembly Square development's compliance with the PUD and the intent of the Ordinance, and of its compliance with the levels in effect at the time of the PUD preliminary master plan approval.

Alderman McLaughlin would like the Director of SPCD to provide by April 18 an assessment of the FRIT Assembly Square Development's compliance with existing commitments and ordinances.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

159. Order 203218 (ID:15918) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion on whether the city can ban gay conversion therapy and if it can, prepare a draft ordinance.

Alderman McLaughlin would like an opinion from the City Solicitor on whether the City can ban gay conversion therapy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

160. Order 203219 (ID:15919) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalks along Pennsylvania Ave.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

161. Order 203220 (ID:15920) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking contact Mass DOT to paint the crosswalk by Stop and Shop into Assembly Row.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

162. Order 203221 (ID:15922) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken and tarred sidewalk at 235/237 Holland Street with concrete.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

163. Order 203222 (ID:15923) By Ald. Ballantyne

That this Board's Committee on Housing and Community Development meet with representatives of Tufts University for an update on the conversion of wood frame office-houses into residential housing in Medford and Somerville.

Alderman Ballantyne updated the Board on the Tufts' conversion of wood-frame houses from office to residential uses. This is why she proposed an institutional master planning requirement: to give municipalities an advance look at large institutions' visions and their impacts on the communities. Tufts intends to evict faculty members in favor of students. Their plan will change the areas abutting the university. She sponsored long-time Tufts neighbor Jim Monagle to speak. He spoke about Tufts' past, when they purchased about three homes per year. These homes were transferred to tax exempt status, and average enrollment went from 4,100 to 5,200. The houses currently being discussed for conversion, about 32 properties, will extend the campus further into the residential area and will create student nuisance issues. Tufts does what is best for Tufts, not what is best for Somerville.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

164. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203223 (ID:15924)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the directional arrow on Holland Street, at the traffic lights in middle of Teele Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

165. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203224 (ID:15925) That the Chief of Police monitor traffic on Clarendon Avenue during the morning commute to deter speeding.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

166. Order By Ald. Heuston

203225 (ID:15930) That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase enforcement of parking

regulations on Norfolk and Tremont Streets, especially during evening hours.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

167. Order By Ald. Heuston

203226 (ID:15931)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking address the use of parking spaces on Norfolk and Tremont Streets by valet parkers for restaurants along Cambridge

Street.

Alderman Heuston would like the valet parking issue on Norfolk and Tremont Streets addressed, as Cambridge restaurants currently park their customers' cars there.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

168. Order By Ald. Heuston

203227 (ID:15932) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the uplifted sidewalk panel at

7 Concord Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

169. Order By Ald. Heuston

203228 (ID:15933)

(ID:15934)

That the Commissioner of Public Works place trash containers along Webster

Avenue, from the city line into Union Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

170. Order 203229 By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police, the Chief Fire Engineer and Administration appear at the next meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety to detail public safety plans for the Porchfest event on 5/13/17.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee 171. Order 203230 (ID:15935) By Ald. Davis

That the City Solicitor advise this Board whether the city may restrict financial institutions from participating in city borrowing based on their business activities, and whether the city may engage in a negotiated underwriting process with a pre-selected lending institution under certain circumstances.

Alderman Davis explained that various entities use certain lending institutions, and the City could choose to do business with those institutions, or make a statement that we don't want to work with them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

172. Order 203231 (ID:15936)

By Ald. Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Director of Inspectional Services inspect the construction site at Highland Avenue and Thorpe Street to ensure that proper rodent control measures are in place.

Alderman Davis explained that due to excavation in the area there has been an increase of rodent activity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

173. Mayor's Request 203232 (ID:15910) Requesting acceptance of an easement over Block 11 at Assembly Square.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 173 through 175 and refer item 173 to the Finance Committee and items 174 and 175 to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

174. Mayor's Request 203233 (ID:15929) Requesting the appointment of Stephen Cafferky to the Fire Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

175. Mayor's Request 203234 (ID:15915) Requesting the appointment of Robert J. McGovern to the Licensing Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

176. Officer's 203235 (ID:15927)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202781 re: whether resident parking Communication stickers may be limited for properties that request off-street parking relief from the Special Permit Granting Authority.

> Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 176 and refer it to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

177. 203236

(ID:15939)

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Strongback Systems.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 177 through 187 and approve all except item 179, which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

178. 203237 (ID:15940)

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Peter Amorello Construction and Demolition.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

179. License/Permit 203238 (ID:15941)

Amending Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St, seeking to open Mon-Fri 7:30-7 and Sat 7:30-6.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

180. 203239 (ID:15943)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq.

APPROVED

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

181. 203240 (ID:15944)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Top Car Auto Repair, 497 Columbia St.

182. 203241

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Boston Sand and Gravel, 492 Rutherford Ave.

(ID:15945)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 183. 203242

Renewing Garage License, Partners Healthcare System, 21 Third Ave.

(ID:15946)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

184. 203243 (ID:15947)

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  185. 203244

License/Permit Renewing Flammables License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.

(ID:15948)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

186. License/Permit

Renewing Flammables License, Broadway Gulf, 212 Broadway.

203245 (ID:15949)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

187.

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Parking License, Star Market, 275 Beacon St.

203246 (ID:15950)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### LATE ITEMS

Order 188.

By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

203247 (ID:15953) That the President coordinate with the City Clerk to draft a request for the State Delegation to strongly advocate for the installation of sound barriers

along I-93.

For discussion of this item, see #203075.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

Order 189.

By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin

203248 (ID:15937)

That the City Solicitor and Director of Inspectional Services review The Chicken & Rice Guys' license for the number of trucks allowed and the idling time allowed, and advise this Board of the findings.

Alderman Rossetti stated that the number of trucks associated with this business far exceeds what is on their license.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

190. Resolution 203249 (ID:15938) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Traffic Commission consider prohibiting truck access on Knowlton

Street by Tufts Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee 191. Order 203250 (ID:15951) By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Chief Assessor and SPCD Counsel appear before this Board to explain the transaction between Federal Realty Investment Trust and Partners Health Care for Partners' building at Assembly Square, and advise whether there are any legal avenues for the City to collect property tax payments from Federal Realty for that parcel.

President White requested that the Chief Assessor and SPCD Counsel explain the complicated purchase/lease agreement between Federal Realty Investment Trust and Partners Health Care. It appears that Partners never bought the office building that FRIT constructed for them. Instead, FRIT and Partners set up a 100-year lease, which seems to result in FRIT not paying property taxes on the parcel, even though they seem to be collecting monthly rental payments from Partners.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

192. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

203251 (ID:15952) In his capacity as President, Soliciting input from members for a meeting with the School Committee to discuss the FY18 budget.

The President decided to call a Special Meeting of this Board on May 11 to address the budget with the School Committee.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

193. Officer's

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/13/17.

Communication 203252 (ID:15942)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:55 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

April 27, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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#### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 203253 (ID:16000) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for Jack Rourke.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203254 (ID:16001)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, March 23, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 203255 (ID:16003) Submitted by Eversource to install 83 feet of conduit in Capen Court, from Pole 455/6 to a point of pickup at 149 Capen Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy spoke about the work to be completed. Alderman McLaughlin asked if the depression in Mt. Pleasant Street has been repaired. Ms. Duffy said she would get back with a response. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

4. Grant of Location 203256 (ID:16004) Submitted by Eversource to install 36 feet of conduit in Woodbine Street, from Pole 632/3 to a point of pickup at 22 Woodbine Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy spoke about the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

203257 (ID:15963) Reporting on the SHS Building Committee's meeting of April 24, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. So far, 42 working group meetings have been held. During the first phase of construction there will be about 18 modules placed in front of the current high school, around April 2018. Surveys are currently underway with staff and students as to how they transport themselves to school. City Hall and Library staff will also be surveyed. Potentially, five roofscapes will constructed, some green, some related to the arts; these will be visible from inside the building and will also be used for classroom purposes.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

6. Order 203258 (ID:15962)

By Ald. Rossetti, Heuston, Niedergang

That the City Solicitor consult with the Attorney General on recreational marijuana and prepare a draft ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

7. Order 203259 (ID:15969)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide a list of all fines issued to the Cobble Hill Plaza since January 2016.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

8. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

203260 (ID:15970)

(ID:15971)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services continue to fine the owner(s) of the abandoned Cobble Hill Plaza for neglecting the property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

9. Order 203261

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD begin the process of seizing the abandoned Cobble Hill Plaza by eminent domain with the intention of building a land trust and open space at the site.

Alderman McLaughlin stated the Cobble Hill Plaza has been abandoned for about four years and constitutes a blight. He would like the Director of SPCD to begin the process of seizing this property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

10. Order 203262 (ID:15964) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD consider using the empty plot of land next to the gas station on McGrath Highway and Pearl Street, by Aldrich Street, for green space.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 203263

(ID:15965)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect potential rodent burrows under I-93, by Lombardi Way.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

12. Order 203264 (ID:15966)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect Pennsylvania Avenue for signs of rodent activity and bait accordingly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

13. Order 203265

By Ald. McLaughlin

203265 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the plastic bag from the tree (ID:15967) at 36 Pennsylvania Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order 203266 (ID:15968)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the basketball backboard at the Capuano School outdoor park.

15. Order 203267 (ID:15976)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Commissioner of Public Works ascertain the number of gas leaks in the city, keep data on all reported leaks, and develop a plan with Eversource and National Grid to eliminate the leaks.

Alderman McWatters is concerned about gas leaks in the City and would like the Commissioner of Public Works and the Administration to present data on the number of gas leaks and develop a plan to repair them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

16. Order 203268 (ID:15979)

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment work with the city's arborist to compile data on trees that die as a result of gas leaks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

17. Order 203269 (ID:15987)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD consider planting new trees at 18 Richdale Avenue, 46 Greenville Street and 112 Belmont Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Resolution 203270 (ID:15980)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Administration inform this Board of an action plan for the parking lot at the Cummings School, as parked vehicles obstruct the basketball court.

Alderman McWatters would like the Administration to inform the Board regarding the basketball court at the Cummings School that is blocked with parked cars.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

19. Order 203271 (ID:15977)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Porter Street, from Summer Street to Highland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order 203272 (ID:15978) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Munroe Street, from Walnut Street to Boston Street.

21. Order 203273 (ID:15986) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 59 and 61 Boston Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 203274 (ID:15995) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider placing a raised crosswalk at the intersection of Summer and Lowell Streets.

Alderman McWatters received a call from a constituent who had a car totaled on Summer Street due to speed. He would like to see a raised crosswalk to slow down traffic.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

23. Order 203275 (ID:15983) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on plans developed in 2013-2015 to redevelop the outdoor space at the Brown School, and work with the Superintendent of Schools, the Brown School Council and PTA, neighbors, and other stakeholders to improve the space.

Alderman Niedergang requested the Director of SPCD update the Board on plans that were developed in 2013-2015 to redevelop the outdoor space at the Brown School. Alderman Davis stated that there is a great need for the Brown School to have outdoor open space.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

24. Order 203276 (ID:15984)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the appropriate department heads work with the Ward 5 Alderman to schedule a community meeting on the planned reconstruction of Cedar Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. Order 203277 (ID:15982) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the chain link fence at the east end of Junction Park, adjacent to the Cambridge Health Alliance parking lot.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 203278 (ID:15985)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the street lamps on the community path, between Cedar and Lowell Streets.

27. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203279 (ID:15988) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the large sink hole on Medford Street under the Bumpus bridge.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203280 (ID:15989)

(ID:15990)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a NO LEFT TURN sign at the corner of Webster Avenue and Newton Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

29. Order 203281

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install NO PARKING FROM HERE TO CORNER signage on Summer Street, at the intersection of Greene Street, to create an adequate line of sight when turning from Greene Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

30. Order 203282 (ID:15991) By Ald. Heuston, McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the Union Square businesses sign behind the SCAT building and install a "Welcome to Union Square" sign there as well.

Alderman Heuston would like to see a "Welcome to Union Square" sign installed and the Union Square businesses sign behind the SCAT building repaired.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

31. Order 203283 (ID:15992) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works address the inaccessible crosswalk at Newton and Clark Streets and sidewalks along Clark Street, and provide the Ward 2 Alderman with potential remediation solutions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

32. Order 203284 (ID:15993) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer contact the Ward 2 Alderman about improper drainage on Wyatt Circle.

33. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203285 (ID:15994)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services issue citations at 32 Webster Avenue for code violations, and direct the owner to clean and repair the property.

Alderman Heuston states that this is an empty residence and a blight to the neighborhood, with animals and vagrants inside.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

34. Order 203286 (ID:15996)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with the numbers of residential exemptions issued this year for one, two and three family homes, along with the total numbers of such homes, and compare these numbers with prior years.

Alderman White requested the Chief Assessor provide the Board with the numbers of residential exemptions issued this year for one, two and three family homes.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

35. Order 203287 (ID:15997)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with the numbers of sales of one, two and three family homes, with the number of residential exemptions claimed by the purchasers of those homes for the latest fiscal year.

Alderman White requested the Chief Assessor provide the Board with the number of sales of one, two and three family homes.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

36. Order 203288 (ID:15998)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of Finance provide this Board with the total amount of meals tax received in each of the last five fiscal years and, to the extent possible, those receipts broken out by business district.

Alderman White would like to see the data from the Director of Finance on the total amount of meals tax received in each of the last five fiscal years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on April 25, 2017.

Report 203289 (ID:15974)

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The major focus of the meeting was the acceptance of certain Assembly Row Streets as public ways, including Grand Union Blvd, portions of Great River Rd., Artisan Way, Canal St. and Foley St. The Committee also approved an appropriation of \$41,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to conduct a Police Department Feasibility Study, and reviewed the City's overall debt.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 200413 (ID:13028) Requesting acceptance of the fee interest in Parcel 34B, including portions of Great River Road, Assembly Row, Canal Street, and Foley Street, and all of Artisan Way.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McWatters

C. Mayor's Request 201527 (ID:14151) Requesting the acceptance of certain Assembly Row streets as Public Ways, including Grand Union Boulevard and portions of Great River Road, Artisan Way, Canal Street, and Foley Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

D. Mayor's Request 202886 (ID:15558) Requesting authorization to increase the expenditure cap of the Planning and Zoning Notice Revolving Fund from \$28,000 to \$35,000 for FY17.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 202977 (ID:15652) Requesting an appropriation of \$41,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to conduct a Police Department Headquarters Feasibility Study.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

F. Order 203053 (ID:15751) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Finance provide this Board's Finance Committee with updates regarding the city's debt.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Mayor's Request 203087 (ID:15759) Requesting the appropriation of \$203,378 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Reserve to the Somerville Hispanic Association for Community Development for Phase IB of the rehabilitation of the Grace Baptist Church.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 203088 (ID:15758) Requesting the appropriation of \$41,863 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve to the Mystic River Watershed Association for landscape design for the Blessing of the Bay Boathouse Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 203089 (ID:15757) Requesting the appropriation of \$33,176 from the CPA Fund Open Space and Recreation Land Reserve to the Friends of the Community Growing Center for the rehabilitation of the Community Growing Center.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

J. Mayor's Request 203090 (ID:15760) Requesting the appropriation of \$6,300 from the CPA Fund Undesignated Reserve to the city's Planning Division for the restoration of grave markers in the Milk Row Cemetery.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 203232 (ID:15910) Requesting acceptance of an easement over Block 11 at Assembly Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

#### 38. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203290 (ID:15973) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on April 24, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The first item discussed was mitigating negative student enrollment at the West Somerville Neighborhood School caused by the proposed Clarendon North Street Housing Development. Also discussed was the renovation of the asphalt playground at the Kennedy School. Lastly, the Committee approved the 2017-2018 US HUD 1-year action plan for CDBG Funds, Home Funds and Homelessness support and a revised Community Participation Plan.

B. Order 202620

(ID:15352)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD, Director of Engineering, Commissioner of Public Works, ADA Coordinator, and Mayor's Office work with the Ward 5 Alderman to convene a community meeting in February to discuss improvements in the streetscape on Murdock Street.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 202876 (ID:15579) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on plans to utilize the \$220,000 in traffic mitigation funds paid by Maxwell's Green, and whether they can be used for improvements at Cedar Street, Murdock Street, and the "Patch" neighborhood west of Maxwell's Green.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 203069 (ID:15873) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr. That the Director of Capital Projects update this Board on the West Branch Library renovation plans and timeline, including possible dates for the next community meeting.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Mayor's Request 203091 (ID:15775) Requesting approval of the 2017-2018 HUD One Year Action Plan, for CDBG, HOME, and ESG programming and the revised Community Participation Plan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 39. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203291 (ID:15972) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on April 20, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. She said the proposed ordinance to safeguard Vulnerable Road Users is still not ready. The Committee did approve an ordinance for a Rental Registration Program, which applies to all non-owner occupied buildings, and an ordinance to protect trees on City-owned property. Finally, the Committee discussed an ordinance to create a Community Benefits Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution 202122 (ID:14772) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Administration present its recommendations and a draft ordinance for the proposed Rental Registration Program (#199934) to the Committee on Legislative Matters at its meeting on October 20, 2016.

Item replaced by #203304, which was approved and ordained.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

C. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #201905 with a draft ordinance to extend Communication protections for trees on city-owned property.

202457 (ID:15030)

Item replaced by #203367, which was approved and ordained.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203292 (ID:15975)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on April 26, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The only item discussed was amending or replacing the current Condominium Conversion Ordinance, and incorporating the strongest parts of relevant State Law into the updated version.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

41. Mayor's Presenting Somerville's water and sewer infrastructure needs and the strategies Communication to meet those needs.

203293 (ID:15981)

The Mayor addressed the Board with a Water/Sewer Infrastructure Presentation. The community is seeking development that will bring a range of community benefits such as jobs, open space, housing and more. However, that development cannot happen if we don't upgrade our infrastructure. New tax revenues to be produced by that development can pay for the infrastructure. The Mayor noted that the city has accepted one of the largest MA grants ever awarded, for \$13 million.

Rich Raiche, Director of Engineering, outlined the history of Somerville's geography and hydrology. 77% of Somerville's land area is impervious. generating a lot of runoff and flooding. 60% of this water flows through Union Square. Almost half of the system for moving water was built prior to 1900, which used one pipe for both water and sewage. Today's standard is a two-pipe system. We are negotiating with the MBTA to tie into the new GLX infrastructure, but there will be times when their system is taxed for their own needs and Somerville will have to stop feeding into it. At those times, measures that are proposed in the MWH Report can temporarily hold additional storm water until the level subsides. Alderman Rossetti asked about developers' contributions and where those funds go. Rob King, Director of Capital Projects and Planning, stated there is a dedicated fund, and we track which developers make which payments and that their funds go to the area of their development.

Mr. King then described the three main projects that are currently proposed for the City: a storage piece, a storage and conveying piece, and a pumping piece. The first storage component will be at Nunziato Field, an underground storm water storage facility 150 feet in diameter and 20 feet deep. Alderman McWatters and Alderman Rossetti expressed that more neighborhood input should be solicited. Mr. King said he would work on better community outreach. He said that after construction, Nunziato Field would feature a dog park, a plaza with benches, and a high performance athletic field. The cost would be about \$14,600,000.

The second project is Union Square to McGrath Highway, a storage and conveyance box culvert measuring 14 feet x 6 feet that will run from the heart of Union Square to Medford Street and provide an additional 800,000 gallons of storage. After construction there will be wide sidewalks, 51 new trees, green infrastructure along the corridor on both sides of the street, and two 6 1/2 foot fully protected bike lanes. The cost is about \$50,350,000. The third project is the Redbridge Pump Station, to unlock drainage from Union Square and tie it into the GLX infrastructure. This will be a

Union Square and tie it into the GLX infrastructure. This will be a 50,000,000 gallon a day pump station. The preliminary estimate for the project is \$19,600,000.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 203294 (ID:15779) Requesting approval, under the new Municipal Modernization Act, for certain language pertaining to all past and future bond premiums, as required by Bond Counsel.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 42 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 203295 (ID:15957) Requesting the appointment of Justin Buswell to the position of Police Officer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

44. Mayor's Request 203296 (ID:15958)

Requesting the appointment of Seamus Lynch to the position of Police Officer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

45. Mayor's Request 203297 (ID:15955) Requesting the appointment of Ashley McLain to the Police Reserve List.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 45 through 50 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

46. Mayor's Request 203298 (ID:15956) Requesting the appointment of Edna DaCosta to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

47. Mayor's Request 203299 (ID:15954) Requesting the appointment of Robert Ciccia to the Board of Health.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

48. Mayor's Request 203300 (ID:15781) Requesting the appointment of Aladdine Joroff to the Conservation Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

49. Mayor's Request 203301 (ID:15960) Requesting the appointment of Conor Krupke to the Human Rights Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

50. Mayor's Request 203302

Requesting the appointment of Nadir Ait-Laoussine to the Human Rights Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

51. Officer's 203303

(ID:15961)

Asst. City Solicitor responding to #202923 with a draft Home Rule Petition to Communication eliminate the political party requirement for members of the Licensing Commission.

(ID:15959)

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 51 refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

Officer's 52. 203304 (ID:15999)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #199934 with a draft ordinance to Communication require owners of rental properties to post relevant contact information, pursuant the Legislative Matters Committee's meeting on 4/20/17.

For discussion of this item, see #202122.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

53. 203305

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Celebration for Rosalie and Edison, 5 Tennyson St, May 6, 2-5:30PM.

(ID:16005)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 53 through 102 and approve all except 75 and 100, which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

54. 203306 (ID:16006)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Josephine Ave Porchfest Block Party, From Kidder Ave to Broadway, May 13, Noon-7PM (raindate May 14).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

55. License/Permit 203307 (ID:16007)

Public Event Permit, Brain Arts Organization Fresh Air Benefit Festival, ArtFarm at 10 Poplar St, May 19-20, 3PM-1AM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 203308 (ID:16008)

Public Event Permit, Lupus Research Alliance Walk With Us, Assembly Row-Mystic River area, June 3, 6AM-1PM.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

57. License/Permit 203309 (ID:16009)

Public Event Permit, Harrison St Block Party, between Ivaloo and Kent Sts, Jun 4, 2-7PM (raindate Jun 11).

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

58. License/Permit 203310 (ID:16010)

Public Event Permit, Olive Sq Block Party, Olive Sq and Lake St between Olive Sq's ends, Jun 4, 3-8PM (raindate Jun 11).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

59. License/Permit 203311

Public Event Permit, Redbones Bike Party, Chester St from Elm to Herbert Sts, Jun 5, Noon-10PM (raindate Jun 12).

(ID:16011)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

60. License/Permit 203312 (ID:16012)

Public Event Permit, Electric Ave Block Party, between Packard Ave and Mason St, Aug 12, 11AM-6PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

61. License/Permit 203313 (ID:16013)

Public Event Permit, Thorpe St Block Party, Aug 19, 11:30AM-6:30PM (raindate Aug 26).

62.	License/Permit 203314 (ID:16014)	Public Event Permit, Collier Kickball Extravaganza, Trum Field and Franey Rd, Sep 30, 8AM-6PM (raindate Oct 1, for Trum Field A and Franey Rd only).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 203315 (ID:16015)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Homeless Coalition 5K Race, Davis Sq area, Oct 7, 6AM-12:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Caruso.	
	203316 (ID:16016)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Jason Anthony.	
	203317 (ID:16017)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit 203318	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, NCCL Enterprises.	
	(ID:16018)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.	License/Permit 203319	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Celiberti Realty.	
	(ID:16019)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 203320	Renewing Drainlayer's License, FE French Construction.		
	(ID:16020)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit 203321 (ID:16021)	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, EB Rotondi and Sons.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
70.	License/Permit 203322 (ID:16022)	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, JNJ Sacca.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
71.	License/Permit 203323 (ID:16023)		License, Reilly's Garage, 61 Washington St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
72.	License/Permit 203324 (ID:16024)		License, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
73.	License/Permit 203325 (ID:16025)		License, Sullivan Tire, 263 Beacon St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

74.	203326	Renewing Garage  RESULT:	License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.  APPROVED
	(ID:16026)	RESULT.	ATTROVED
75.		Renewing Garage	License, Webster Auto Body, 64 Webster Ave.
	203327 (ID:16027)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee
76.	License/Permit 203328 (ID:16028)	Renewing Garage	License, Gene Automotive Repair, 56 Joy St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
77.		Renewing Garage	License, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.
	203329 (ID:16030)	RESULT:	APPROVED
78.		Renewing Garage	License, Mac's Auto Body, 53 Russell St.
	203330 (ID:16031)	RESULT:	APPROVED
79.	License/Permit 203331 (ID:16032)	Renewing Garage	License, Barnes and Walsh, 224 Somerville Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
80.	License/Permit 203332 (ID:16033)	Renewing Flamma	ables License, Good Gas Somerville, 343 Medford St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
		Renewing Flamma	ables License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.
	203333 (ID:16034)	RESULT:	APPROVED
82.	License/Permit 203334 (ID:16035)	Renewing Flamma	ables License, Winter Hill Yacht Club, 500 Artisan Way.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
83.	License/Permit 203335 (ID:16036)	Renewing Flamma	bles License, Shield, 620 Broadway.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
84.	License/Permit 203336 (ID:16037)	Renewing Flamma	ables License, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
85.	License/Permit 203337 (ID:16038)	Renewing Flamma	ables License, Mobil Mart Plus, 379 Alewife Brook Pkwy.
		RESULT:	APPROVED

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86.	License/Permit 203338 (ID:16039)	Renewing Extended	d Operating Hours License, KMart, 77 Middlesex Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
87.	License/Permit 203339 (ID:16040)	Renewing Extended Union Sq.	d Operating Hours License, Red House Restaurant, 24
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED
88.	203340	Renewing Extended Medford St.	d Operating Hours License, La Posada Restaurant, 505
	(ID:16041)	RESULT:	APPROVED
89.	License/Permit 203341		d Operating Hours License, Domino's Pizza, 201 Elm St.
	(ID:16042)	RESULT:	APPROVED
90.	License/Permit 203342 (ID:16043)	Renewing Billiards Ave.	and Bowling License, Cuisine En Locale, 156 Highland
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED
91.	License/Permit 203343	Renewing Billiards	and Bowling License, Diesel Cafe, 257 Elm St.
	(ID:16044)	RESULT:	APPROVED
92.	License/Permit 203344 (ID:16045)	Renewing Outdoor	Parking License, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
93.	License/Permit	Renewing Junk Dea	aler's License, Buffalo Exchange, 238 Elm St.
	203345 (ID:16046)	RESULT:	APPROVED
94.	License/Permit	Renewing Hawker	and Peddler License, Chiki Galvez.
	203346 (ID:16047)	RESULT:	APPROVED
95.	License/Permit 203347 (ID:16048)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Blue Shirt Cafe, 424 Highland Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
96.	License/Permit 203348 (ID:16049)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Taco Loco, 44 Broadway.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
97.	License/Permit 203349 (ID:16050)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Tapatio Mexican Grill, 82 Broadway.
		RESULT:	APPROVED

98. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Diesel Cafe, 257 Elm St. 203350 **APPROVED RESULT:** (ID:16051) 99. License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Union Square Pizza, 63 Union Sq. 203351 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:16052) 100. License/Permit New Billiards and Bowling License, On the Hill Tayern, 499 Broadway, 3 pool 203352 tables. (ID:16053) **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee License/Permit 101. Sign/Awning Permit, FLOAT Boston, 515 Medford St. 203353 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:16055) 102. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Amsterdam Falafelshop, 248 Elm St. 203354 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:16057) 103. **Public** District Attorney responding to #196432 re: the investigation of the murder of Communication Deanna Cremin. 203355 Alderman Connolly requested to waive the reading of item 103 and place it (ID:16002) on file, with a copy to the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

104.

Order

(ID:16059)

**FOLLOWUP:** 

203356
(ID:16058)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the SIDEWALK – NO
CYCLING decals in the Union Square Central Business District.

RESULT: APPROVED

By Ald. Sullivan
That the Bicycle Advisory Committee make its posters and materials on

Public Health and Public Safety Committee

By Ald. Sullivan, Heuston, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

RESULT: APPROVED

bicycle safety multi-lingual.

106. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203358 (ID:16060) That the Director of Parks and Recreation provide the number of youths under 18 served by gender and program, for FY16 and FY17 year to date.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

107. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203359 (ID:16061) That the Director of Parks and Recreation share outreach strategy and methods, by gender, for youths under 18 years of age.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

108. Resolution

By Ald. Ballantyne, Niedergang

203360 (ID:16062) That the Administration discuss with the Commissioner of Public Works efforts to de-pave city-owned schools.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

109. Resolution

By Ald. Ballantyne

203361 (ID:16063) That the Administration, the City Solicitor and the Superintendent of Water and Sewer respond to a letter dated November 16, 2016 disputing St. James's Episcopal Church's water and sewer bills.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

110. Order 203362

(ID:16064)

By Ald. Ballantyne, McWatters

That the Director of Capital Projects discuss with this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, using water from the storm water tanks at Nunziato Field to water the field and the Growing Center gardens.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

111. Resolution 203363

By Ald. Ballantyne

203363 That the Administration advise why speed dampening options were denied for (ID:16065) Fairfax Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

112. Order

203364 (ID:16067) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Parks and Open Space consider planting the following list of shrubbery and ground cover at Lincoln Park to meet the goals of sustainability and biodiversity.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

113. Order 203365 (ID:16068) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance requiring native tree and plantings for all open space, to meet the goals of sustainability and biodiversity.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

114. Mayor's Request 203366 (ID:16071) Requesting approval of an appropriation of \$66,054 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase two electric vehicles.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 114 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

115. Officer's 203367 (ID:16066)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #201905 with an Ordinance to extend Communication the requirements for public notices and public hearings for public shade trees to other trees on city-owned property.

For discussion of this item, see #202457.

ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT: AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Lafuente

Officer's 116. Communication Agreement.

SRA Special Counsel conveying a revised Master Land Disposition

203368 (ID:16070)

Alderman White requested to waive the reading of item 116 and Place it on File. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### LATE ITEMS

117. Order 203369 (ID:16072) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with this Board's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, the need for additional AEDs in our community.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Health and Public Safety Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

118. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203370 (ID:16075) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the burnt out light bulbs in the decorative street lights in Teele Square.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

119. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Ballantyne, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

203371 (ID:16076) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing restricted turn sign at Endicott Avenue and Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Traffic and Parking Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

120. Order By Ald. Heuston

203372 (ID:16078) That the Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking place appropriate signs and signals for safety zones in Ward 2, especially around the Argenziano School.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 120 and refer it to the Traffic Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

Communication By Ald. White Jr. 121.

203373

In his capacity as President, conveying SCATV's request to briefly tape this (ID:16077)

Board immediately after its May 11, 2017 meeting, as part of the city's 175th

Birthday Celebration.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

122. License/Permit 203374

Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Ball Square Cafe and Breakfast, 708 Broadway.

(ID:16079)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:00 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

## **Board of Aldermen meeting jointly with the School Committee**

May 11, 2017, 6:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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#### OPENING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr. for the Board of Aldermen, and by School Committee Chair Laura Pitone for the School Committee.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 203375 (ID:16144) Call of the Roll.

School Superintendent Mary Skipper called the roll for the School Committee and all members were present.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**CITATIONS** 

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

2. Officer's 203376 (ID:16145)

Finance Director, pursuant to Ordinance 2-47, reviewing the financial Communication condition of the city, with revenue and expenditure forecasts, prior to the commencement of the FY18 budget process.

> Ed Bean, Finance Director and City Auditor, presented projections for the FY18 Budget, which he hopes to formally submit in early June. He said that based on the city's audited financial statements, the city has a strong cash and investment position. Reserve stabilization funds are at an all-time high of \$28.8 million. The General Fund equity increased in 2016 by \$4.5 million. The city has had four years of successive \$10 million free cash certifications. The Fund Balance for 2016 finished at \$8.8 million. Through April 30, 2017, the city has collected 82% of its revenue, and is projected to exceed the budget by \$2.1 million. The city has expended 80% of the General Fund appropriations and 72% of the School Department appropriations. The city is projected to under expend appropriations by up to \$5.5 million. Free cash of \$9-10 million is expected for the end of FY 2017; FY 2016 was \$8.8 million. The 2017 Budget was \$222,598,887. The largest shares were Schools, Public Safety and Fringe/Pension Benefits. Mr. Bean reviewed State Aid, comparing FY 2012 - FY 2018. State Aid funds the schools, public works, charter school tuition, etc. He discussed property taxes from FY 2013 -2017, and explained new growth and the 2 1/2% tax cap. He said pilot payments are increasing. He said Building Permit revenue is projected to be \$9.8 million for FY 2018. Other funding for FY 2018 includes parking meter receipts, free cash, overlay surplus and a new source of revenue from Cable/Telco. These will be applied to the budget to reduce the tax rate.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**NEW BUSINESS** 

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

LATE ITEMS

**ADJOURNMENT** 

The meeting was Adjourned at 7:10 PM for both the Board of Aldermen and the School Committee.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 11, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 203377 (ID:16146) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Alfred Pace. Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for Rosemary Flanagan. Alderman McLaughlin sponsored a moment of silence for Nicole Martarana. Alderman Heuston sponsored a moment of silence for Maria Peroni.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203378 (ID:16147)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 13, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203379 (ID:16153)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Hazel Evans and Theresa Needham, the Grand Marshals of the 2017 Veterans Memorial Day Parade.

Alderman McLaughlin commended Hazel Evans and Theresa Needham for their service. Bryan Bishop, Commissioner of Veteran's Services, recognized them as Grand Marshals in the Veterans Memorial Day Parade. The 2017 Memorial Day Parade will be on May 21. The Hero's Salute will be on May 20. An honor and remembrance ceremony in the Veterans Memorial Cemetery will be on May 25. Finally, a Memorial on the Mystic Concert with fireworks at Assembly Row will be on Memorial Day evening.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Resolution 203380 (ID:16130)

By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne

That the Administration work with this Board to hire an independent financial consultant to review the actual and proposed increases in debt and prepare a risk analysis, including the amount of new growth required to support that debt, while accounting for projected spending increases in the remainder of the budget.

Alderman White reminded the Board that after the Special Meeting presentation on water and sewer infrastructure needs, combined with the GLX payments and other increases for in debt service, the Board plays a very important role, and he urged the city to hire an independent financial consultant to review debt. The entire Board supported hiring this consultant.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

5. Order 203381 (ID:16125)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panel at 27 Bow Street.

Alderman McWatters commended the DPW Commissioner and the cement crew on their rapid response, and he withdrew the item.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN** 

6. Order 203382 (ID:16126)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the City Arborist advise the Ward 3 Alderman of the condition of the tree on Belmont Street adjacent to Bailey Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

7. Order 203383 (ID:16128)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Aldersey Street.

8. Order 203384 (ID:16127)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.
That the Director of SPCD consider placing Aldersey Street on the re-paving

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order 203385 (ID:16129)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the water pipe in the community garden at Kelley-Morse Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Resolution 203386 (ID:16131)

By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board Urging the City to support evergreen clauses in all collective bargaining agreements.

Alderman Niedergang spoke in support of Evergreen Clauses in collective bargaining. Ed Halloran, Co-Chair of the Somerville Labor Coalition and President of the SMEA, explained that an Evergreen Clause is a contract provision that maintains contract terms beyond their expiration dates until new contracts are negotiated. There is a desperate need for an Evergreen Clause in City labor contracts. Without an Evergreen Clause, the terms and conditions of the expired contract no longer apply. The time has come for the City to join virtually all other cities and towns in adopting an Evergreen Clause. Tommy Ross, former Somerville Firefighters Local President and Co-Chair of the SLC, urged the Board to support Evergreen Clauses for City labor contracts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

11. Resolution 203387 (ID:16133)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Mayor update this Board on discussions with DCR about the fields at Draw 7 Park and Foss Park.

Alderman Niedergang reported that many parents are upset about the condition of Foss Park, which is not maintained by the city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

12. Resolution 203388 (ID:16134)

By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

Expressing to Governor Baker, our State Delegation, and DCR this Board's concern about the possible renovation of Draw 7 Park as a concert venue, due to the resulting traffic and air pollution, and its preference for a high-quality soccer and athletic field there instead.

Alderman Niedergang expressed his concerns about the possibility of DCR permitting a concert venue at Draw 7 Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

13. Order 203389

(ID:16132)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on plans for a soccer field at the Healey School playground and the redevelopment of the fields at Conway Park, with timelines for both projects.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

14. Order 203390 (ID:16135)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Ballantyne That the Commissioner of Public Works repair and repaint the fence around Veterans' Memorial Cemetery on Broadway as necessary prior to the city's Memorial Day celebrations.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order 203391 (ID:16136)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police patrol PorchFest on May 13 (raindate May 14) and take action as necessary for unruly behavior and open container violations.

Alderman Connolly would like to see a police presence on May 13, PorchFest Day, to ensure it stays a family fun event.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Resolution 203392 (ID:16137)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

Thanking Tufts University President Anthony Monaco and his staff for the generous donation of playing fields for Somerville's youth soccer and lacrosse activities.

Alderman Connolly thanked Tufts University for the use of their playing fields for Somerville's youth soccer and lacrosse teams. Alderman Davis stated that he heard some parents were being charged \$8 each way to drop off and pick up their children from practice at Tufts. He will look into this so it doesn't happen again.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 203393 (ID:16138)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the inoperable city street lamps in Davis Square Plaza and on College and Highland Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Resolution 203394 (ID:16142)

By Ald. Sullivan

That the Administration explore reducing residential street cleaning from four days a month to two.

Alderman Sullivan doesn't feel the necessity for street cleaning four days a month. Reducing this to two days per month could save the City money and lessen the inconvenience for residents.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

19. Resolution 203395

By Ald. Sullivan, and the Entire Board

(ID:16143)

That the Administration consider a veterans' exemption on fees related to the

6143) Community Preservation Act.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

20. Order 203396 (ID:16139) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking determine whether fire trucks and ambulances can safely access Maine, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode

Island Avenues from Pennsylvania Avenue, and make appropriate

recommendations to this Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

21. Resolution

By Ald. Sullivan

203397 (ID:16140) The Traffic Commission consider making Mt. Vernon Street an ABUTTERS ONLY roadway, from Pearl Street to Broadway, during peak travelling hours.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

22. Order 203398 (ID:16141)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the UTILITY WORK

AHEAD sign at 10 Illinois Avenue. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

203399

(ID:16097)

In his capacity as President, reminding all Aldermen to avoid potential Open Meeting Law issues by responding to constituent emails with a direct reply, not a "Reply All" that might reach other Aldermen.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

#### 24. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203400 (ID:16091) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on May 9, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee approved the appointment of Stephen Cafferky to the Fire Reserve List, and the appointment of Ashley McLain and Edna DaCosta to the Police Reserve List. The Committee also approved the appointment of Robert Ciccia to the Board of Health. One appointment, to the Licensing Commission, was left in Committee for further deliberation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203233 (ID:15929) Requesting the appointment of Stephen Cafferky to the Fire Reserve List.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 203297 (ID:15955) Requesting the appointment of Ashley McLain to the Police Reserve List.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 203298 (ID:15956) Requesting the appointment of Edna DaCosta to the Police Reserve List.

RESULT: APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 203299 (ID:15954) Requesting the appointment of Robert Ciccia to the Board of Health.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### 25. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203401 (ID:16089) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 2, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the Union Square Zoning proposal. Representatives from US2 presented their current thinking on development. Topics included commercial and residential splits, and what type of commercial spaces would consititute what is now a 60% commercial requirement. Also discussed was a potential neighborhood park; zoning requires at least one neighborhood park and at least one plaza. The current zoning for a park is 8,000 sq. ft., and US2 is proposing a 29,000 sq. ft. park across Webster Avenue. There was also talk of a proposed hotel in the heart of the Square, and how it would relate to day to day traffic. There was discussion about an indoor civic community space, and US2 said there were talks with the YMCA but nothing was set in stone.

#### 26. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203402 (ID:16092) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 9, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. It focused on the Union Square Zoning proposal, with the Committee beginning a page by page review of the proposed amendment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### 27. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203403 (ID:16090) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 4, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. First was the approval of an ordinance to safeguard vulnerable road users. Also discussed was an ordinance to create a Community Benefits Committee. Assistant City Solicitor Dave Shapiro spoke about the Mayor's executive authority to change a CPC recommendation, saying that the Mayor is charged with sending CPA requests to the Board for consideration. However, the Mayor may delete a request or decrease the amount of a request, but could never increase the amount of a request. The Committee had also received prior to this meeting recommendations from Union United to amend the draft ordinance; they were referred to the Law Office for review and comment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Ordinance 202626 (ID:15358)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, McLaughlin, Sullivan, Ballantyne, McWatters, Heuston, White Jr.

Proposing an Ordinance to safeguard vulnerable road users.

This item was replaced by #203463, which was Ordained.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 28.

#### Α. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on May 10, 2017.

203404 (ID:16093)

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The majority of the meeting was focused on a Public Event Permit on Hudson Street for a Neighborway, on September 3, 2016, from 8 AM to 5 PM. It was given interim approval last year and the group drew a mural in front of 139 Hudson Street. There were several problems with the mural, and the owner of 139 Hudson Street was not notified properly. She did not approve of the design and worried that the mural could endanger children, who like to play on it in the street. Mark Chase from Neighborway stated that he would do a better job of reaching out to neighbors in the future. Ultimately, the Committee approved the Permit by a 2-1 vote. The Committee then unanimously approved a Resolution that the applicant re-do the mural.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

#203405 regarding the repainting of the Hudson Street **AMENDED:** 

mural was replaced by a late item submitted by Ald. Sullivan, #203406, which he put forward as a clearer

expression of the Board's intent.

#### Order B. 201808 (ID:14515)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services inspect 39, 45, and 47 Webster Avenue for building code compliance and for the capacity for vehicles at each location, both inside and outside the buildings, and report the findings to the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C.

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Hudson St Neighborway, Sep 3, 8AM-5PM.

202042 (ID:14729)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

D. Order By Ald. Heuston

202810 (ID:15543)

That the Traffic and Parking Engineer and the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure inspect 39 Webster Avenue to determine if the driveway there is legal, and report back to the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202811 (ID:15544) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 47 Webster Avenue with the property owner to determine the number of businesses operating there, and report back to the Licenses and Permits Committee.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor submitting information related to #202042, a Hudson Communication St public event for a neighborway street mural painting.

202822 (ID:15512)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Homeless Coalition Save Our Homes Walk, High School 202836 Concourse and area streets, May 21, Noon-4:30PM. (ID:15525) **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE H. Officer's Traffic and Parking Director responding to items approved 2/14/17. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 202962 (ID:15612) I. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202722 re: starting the process to Communication revoke the Lottery Commission License at Winter Hill Market. 203017 APPROVED AS AMENDED **RESULT:** (ID:15682) **AMENDED:** That the letter also state that this is an uncommon request, and that resolution of this problem is very important to the surrounding neighborhood. J. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 69 Webster Ave. 203137 **APPROVED RESULT:** (ID:15816) K. License/Permit Renewing Extended Operating Hours License, Mr. B's, 142 Cross St. 203180 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:15860) L. Public Hoikki Ilker submitting comments re: Mr. B's operating hours. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203189 (ID:15869) M. License/Permit Amending Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St, seeking to open Mon-Fri 7:30-7 and Sat 7:30-6. 203238 (ID:15941) APPROVED AS AMENDED **RESULT: AMENDED:** This approval is valid for 30 days only. N. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 64 Webster Ave. 203327 **RESULT: APPROVED** (ID:16027) O. License/Permit New Billiards and Bowling License, On the Hill Tavern, 499 Broadway, 3 pool 203352 tables. (ID:16053) **RESULT: APPROVED** P. Resolution By Ald. Sullivan That this Board requests that the applicant for #202042 redo the mural at the 203405 (ID:16167) stated location.

PLACED ON FILE

**RESULT:** 

Q. Resolution 203406

(ID:16187)

By Ald. Sullivan

That the applicant for #202042 work with the Hudson Street neighborhood to develop and paint a new mural.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

#### 29. OPEN SPACE. ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203407 (ID:16088)

Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on May 1, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The first item discussed was trash disposal, recycling and composting. Somerville's recycling is above the State average. The next item was the city's community gardens, and efforts to develop new community gardens to address the current wait-list for garden space.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Order 201378 (ID:14036) By Ald. Ballantyne, and the Entire Board

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment provide an energy master plan for the most effective systems to approach net zero for Union Square and other "transformative zones" as outlined in SomerVision.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

> 202009 (ID:14673)

Conveying the Department of Public Works' response to questions about landscaping at the Healey School.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order D. 202994 (ID:15692) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the community gardens program, and what steps are being taken to develop new community gardens for the hundreds of residents on the waiting list.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 202997 (ID:15688) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works consider installing an irrigation system for Prospect Hill Park.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Officer's F. Communication evening, 3/23/17.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted this

203058

**RESULT:** (ID:15748)

WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 203071 (ID:15875) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on discussions with DCR regarding city management of DCR fields such as Foss Park, Draw 7 Park and the Dilboy Auxiliary Fields, and provide an updated Fields Master Plan if warranted.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## 30. YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203408

(ID:16094)

Report of the Committee on Youth Services, meeting on May 10, 2017.

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed several items relating to field use and fees, and striving for the equitable use of recreational services for male and female. The Director of Recreation updated the Committee on fees charged for field use for local youth-oriented programs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 201136

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Recreation update the Youth Services Committee on #199518, a Resolution to waive the fee charged for field use for local youth oriented programs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203358 (ID:16060)

(ID:13793)

That the Director of Parks and Recreation provide the number of youths under 18 served by gender and program, for FY16 and FY17 year to date.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 203359

By Ald. Ballantyne

(ID:16061)

That the Director of Parks and Recreation share outreach strategy and methods, by gender, for youths under 18 years of age.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

31. Mayor's Request 203409 (ID:16148) Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session to consider the purchase of real property.

The Board recessed at 9:45 PM to move to Executive Session. The Board reconvened at 10:15 PM. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

32. Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Ashley McLain to the position of Police Officer.

203410 (ID:16096)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

33. Officer's Communication

Water Superintendent submitting the proposed FY18 water and sewer rates.

203411 (ID:16149)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

34. Officer's

Parks and Recreation Director responding to #203358 and #203359 re: youths Communication served and outreach methods used.

203412 (ID:16087)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

35. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/27/17.

203413 (ID:16073)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

36. 203414

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Volunteer Social, Powderhouse Park, May 16, 6-9PM.

(ID:16154)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 36 through 67 and approve them, with item 63 referred to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

37. License/Permit 203415 (ID:16155)

Public Event Permit, MA Motorcycle Association Storm the Statehouse, 9 New Washington St to Sullivan Sq, May 17, 9AM-12:30PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

38. License/Permit 203416 (ID:16156)

Public Event Permit, Kevin Goulart and Rogers Ave Birthday/Block Party, Rogers Ave from Kidder Ave to Broadway, May 20, 11AM-9PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

39. 203417 (ID:16157)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, West St-Hawthorne St Block Party on West St, Jun 24, 11AM-9PM (raindate Jun 25).

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

40.	License/Permit 203418 (ID:16158)	Public Event Permit, Somerville Road Runners Gobble x 3 Road Race, Davis Sq and area streets, Nov 23, 7AM-Noon.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED
41.	License/Permit	New Drainlayer's License, Rhino Construction.	
	203419 (ID:16098)	RESULT:	APPROVED
42.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Borges Sewer and Drain.
	203420 (ID:16099)	RESULT:	APPROVED
43.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Suffolk Engineering.
	203421 (ID:16100)	RESULT:	APPROVED
44.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Metro Equipment.
	203422 (ID:16101)	RESULT:	APPROVED
45.		Renewing Drainla	yer's License, KB Aruda Construction.
	203423 (ID:16102)	RESULT:	APPROVED
46.	License/Permit	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, Jones Contracting.
	203424 (ID:16103)	RESULT:	APPROVED
47.	License/Permit 203425 (ID:16104)	Renewing Drainla	yer's License, CM Conway Construction.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
48.	License/Permit 203426 (ID:16105)	Renewing Flamm	ables License, Hillside Auto Repair, 583 Broadway.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
49.	License/Permit 203427 (ID:16106)	Renewing Flamm	ables License, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
50.	License/Permit 203428 (ID:16107)	Renewing Flamm	ables License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
51.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Brazil Auto Repair, 621 Somerville Ave.
	203429 (ID:16108)	RESULT:	APPROVED

52.	License/Permit 203430 (ID:16109)	Renewing Garage License, Executive Auto Body, 30 Medford St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED
53.	203431	Renewing Garage I RESULT:	License, DM Auto Services, 45 Webster Ave.  APPROVED
	(ID:16110)	TESCET.	
54.	License/Permit 203432	Renewing Garage I	License, J&E Auto Body, 9 Hawkins St.
	(ID:16111)	RESULT:	APPROVED
55.		Renewing Garage I	License, EZ Auto Body, 627 Somerville Ave.
	203433 (ID:16112)	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED
56. License/Perm		Renewing Garage I	License, Monro Muffler Brake, 223 Washington St.
	203434 (ID:16113)	RESULT:	APPROVED
57.		Renewing Garage I	License, Union Gulf Service, 231 Washington St.
	203435 (ID:16114)	RESULT:	APPROVED
58.	License/Permit 203436 (ID:16115)	Renewing Fortune Washington St.	Teller License, Spiritual New Age Boutique, 153
		RESULT:	APPROVED
59.	License/Permit 203437 (ID:16116)	Renewing Junk De	aler's License, All Checks Cashed, 12 Union Sq.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
60.	License/Permit 203438 (ID:16117)	Renewing Outdoor St.	Parking License, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia
		RESULT:	APPROVED
61.	License/Permit 203439 (ID:16118)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Pepe Bocca, 414 Highland Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
62.	Withdrawn 203440 (ID:16119)	Withdrawn.	
		RESULT:	WITHDRAWN

63. 203441

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, La Posada Restaurant, 505 Medford St, opening 7 days/wk to 3AM for in-store, take-out, and delivery service.

(ID:16120)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

64. 203442

(ID:16121)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Reliable Market, 45 Union Sq, 1 A-Frame sign.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

65. Withdrawn

203443 (ID:16122)

Withdrawn.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN** 

66. 203444

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Cantina La Mexicana, 247 Washington St, 3 Tables, 6 Chairs.

(ID:16123)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

67. 203445

(ID:16124)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Oat Shop, 20 College Ave, 2 Tables, 4 Chairs, 1 A-Frame sign.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

68. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203446 (ID:16159) That the Director of Traffic and Parking install additional pedestrian safety measures at the intersection of Holland Street and Cameron Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

69. Order

203447 (ID:16160) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the dead rodent on the North Street corner of Hamilton Road.

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

70. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203448 (ID:16161) That the City Assessor and Finance Director provide revenue comparisons for real estate and other taxes received, for a hotel vs. a commercial building of

comparable size.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 71. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203449 (ID:16162) That the City Arborist advise the Ward 7 Alderman regarding the health of the tree at 16-18 Ware Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

72. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203450 (ID:16163) That the City Engineer inspect the intersection of Ware Street and Russell Road, and Russell Road from #s 7 to 35, for the potential of more sink holes.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

73. Order 203451 (ID:16164)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Engineer discuss with this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, requiring new building projects to have storm water tanks on site or underground.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

74. Order 203452 (ID:16165)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes down the center of Holland Street from Moore Street to Hodgkins Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

75. Mayor's Request 203453 (ID:16084) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land and undesignated reserve budgets to the Parks and Open Space Division for the construction of the Winter Hill Schoolyard.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 75 through 79 and 82 and 83 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

76. Mayor's Request 203454 (ID:16085) Requesting the appropriation of \$80,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for design services for the Healey Schoolyard.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

77. Mayor's Request 203455 (ID:16086) Requesting the appropriation of \$49,200 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Veterans Services Division for design services for Henry Hansen Park.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

78. Mayor's Request 203456 (ID:16082) Requesting the appropriation of \$20,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for a survey of the Community Path.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

79. Mayor's Request 203457 (ID:16083) Requesting the appropriation of \$13,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for the creation of a butterfly garden pocket park at Morse-Kelly Park.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

80. Mayor's Request 203458 (ID:16081) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$38,326.99 using available funds in various divisions of the Department of Public Works.

Alderman Lafuente sponsored DPW Commissioner Koty, who described the invoices that must be paid.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. Mayor's Request 203459 (ID:16080) Requesting acceptance of a \$7,500 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Housing and Community Development to the Housing Division for the 2017 Youth Count.

Alderman Lafuente sponsored Assistant Housing Director Kelly Donato, who requested the acceptance of this grant to assist in the efforts to count unaccompanied youth ages 24 or under. This will be the fourth year for this effort.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

82. Mayor's Request 203460 (ID:16029) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,000 from the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, under the Intelligence and Information Sharing Goal Area.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

83. Mayor's Request 203461 (ID:16095) Requesting approval to enter a 10-year contract with MA DOT for road reconstruction, to reimburse a portion of the city's road reconstruction projects.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

84. Mayor's Request 203462 (ID:16169) Requesting the confirmation of John DeLuca as Director of Water & Sewer.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 84 and refer it to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

85. Officer's 203463 (ID:16150)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting a draft Ordinance approved at the Communication Legislative Matter Committee meeting on 5/4/17 to safeguard vulnerable road users.

For discussion of this item, see #202626.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Lafuente

86. Officer's 203464 (ID:16151)

City Solicitor submitting a proposed Order designating the position of Communication Retirement Board Member as a Special Municipal Employee position.

> Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 86 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Legislative Matters Committee

87. Officer's 203465

Chief Assessor responding to #203286 and #203287 re: information about Communication residential exemptions.

(ID:16069)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 87 and send it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

88. Officer's Communication 203466 (ID:16168)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/11/17.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 88 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

89. License/Permi 203467 (ID:16171)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Devino Espirito Santo Procession, 203 Somerville Ave to St. Joseph's Church and back, Jun 4, 8AM-Noon.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 89 through 100 and approve all of them, except for items 95 and 96 which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

90. License/Permit 203468 (ID:16172)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Wayside Youth and Family Support Network HIV Awareness Day, Davis Sq Statue Park, Jun 24, 11AM-5PM (raindate Jun 25).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

91. License/Permit 203469 (ID:16173)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, ArtsUnion Haiti and Brazil Festival, Union Sq Plaza, Jul 203469 22, 4-10PM (raindate Jul 23).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

92. License/Permit 203470 (ID:16174)

Public Event Permit, SVG Productions Haunted Somerville, ArtFarm at 10 Poplar St, Oct 19-Nov 1, hours vary, generally 6-11:30PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

93. License/Permit 203471

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Dow Company.

2034/1 (ID:16175)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

94. License/Permit 203472 (ID:16176)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Papa John's Pizza, 622 Somerville 203472 Ave.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**RESULT:** APPROVED

RESULT:

95. License/Permit 203473

(ID:16177)

License/Permit New Flammables License, Vixs Auto Service, 73 Summer St.

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

96. License/Permit

License/Permit New Garage License, Vixs Auto Service, 73 Summer St.

203474 (ID:16178)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

97. License/Permit 203475

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, M Korson and Company, 91 Washington St.

(ID:16179)

RESULT: APPROVED

98. License/Permit 203476

License/Permit Renewing Garage License, A Plus Auto Body, 295 Medford St.

(ID:16180) **RES** 

99. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, A Plus Auto Body, 297 Medford St.

203477 (ID:16181)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Maya Sol Mexican Grill, 179 Broadway.

203478 (ID:16182)

203366

(ID:16071)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

### **LATE ITEMS**

101. Mayor's Requesting approval of an appropriation of \$66,054 from the Capital Request Stabilization Fund to purchase two electric vehicles.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, **AYES:** 

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

102. Resolution By Ald. Davis

203479 (ID:16183)

That the Administration update the Ward 6 Alderman on plans to improve way-finding for the Community Path through Davis Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

103. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203480

(ID:16184)

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pot holes on Conwell Avenue between Hillsdale Road and North Street, on North Street at the corner of Broadway, and on North Street between Conwell Avenue and Powderhouse Blvd. around the catch basin.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

104. Order

203481 (ID:16185) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor provide a written summary of actions taken and planned to address 20 Adrian Street and its use as an AirBnB.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Health and Public Safety Committee FOLLOWUP:

105. Order 203482

(ID:16186)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor provide a written summary of actions taken and planned to address the blighted property at 32 Webster Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:15 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

May 25, 2017, 7:30 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arriv	ed
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 203483 (ID:16229) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for the daughter of Carl Stauffer. Alderman Sullivan sponsored a moment of silence for Louis Ryan. Alderman McWatters sponsored a moment of silence for Mario Travers. Alderman McLaughlin sponsored a moment of silence for all the veterans who gave their lives for this country.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203484 (ID:16230)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, April 27, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203485 (ID:16237)

By Ald. Heuston, McWatters, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Somerville Youth Hockey Pee Wee A Team for winning the 2017 Valley League Championship.

Alderman Heuston and Alderman McWatters presented the citations and commended the team members and coaches.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

4. Resolution 203486 (ID:16191)

By Ald. Heuston, Davis, Ballantyne, Lafuente, White Jr., McWatters, Niedergang, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti

Supporting legislative efforts at the State House to reform the use of solitary confinement.

Alderman Sullivan recused.

Alderman Heuston gave a brief summary of solitary confinement. Massachusetts is one of only two states that sends people to disciplinary solitary confinement for up to ten years for a single infraction. There are currently four bills before the Legislature that would limit the amount of time prisons and jails could send people to solitary, prohibit them from sending particularly vulnerable people to solitary, require them to report on their use of solitary, and create an oversight committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Order 203487 (ID:16215)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional services bait all public facilities along Merriam Street, including sewers and the Public Safety Building, cite all private properties on the street where conditions exist to attract rodents, and distribute informational door knockers to those properties with evidence of rodent activity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

6. Resolution 203488 (ID:16216)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Traffic Commission consider changing Merriam Street to a one way street, from Charlestown Street to Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

7. Order 203489 (ID:16218)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 20 and 22 Durham Street for all code violations, including an abandoned vehicle, extensive overgrowth, a decayed building facade, and uninhabited units, and advise, with the City Solicitor, the potential of whether the city can force the owner to fix the property, and whether the city should begin the process of having a receiver appointed for the property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

8. Order 203490 (ID:16219) By Ald. Heuston

The Director of Traffic and Parking place a second DO NOT ENTER sign at the corner of Bolton and Oak Streets, and a one way arrow sign on top of the DO NOT ENTER signs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

9. Resolution 203491

(ID:16220)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration facilitate the replacement of the wooden slats that provide the pedestrian foundation on the Webster Avenue Bridge.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

10. Order 203492 (ID:16217) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services direct the owner of 147 Beacon Street to clear the debris and overgrowth from the rear of the property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 203493 (ID:16199)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the City Arborist evaluate the vitality of the trees at 70 Craigie Street, 64 Craigie Street, and the intersection of Prospect Hill Avenue and Munroe Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

12. Order 203494 (ID:16200)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 66 Putnam Street.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

13. Order 203495 (ID:16201)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Porter and Munroe Streets, and on Summer Street between Craigie and Porter Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Order 203496 (ID:16202)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of Engineering determine why the repaving job on Pitman Street between Belmont and Spring Streets is in its present condition, and why sink holes are now causing issues on the street.

Alderman McWatters stated that there has been a lot of development in this area and there are now sink holes presenting. He would like the Director of Engineering to look into it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

15. Order 203497 (ID:16203)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide a rundown of all rodent control efforts throughout Ward 1 and a plan for rodent control for the summer.

Alderman McLaughlin stated that he has been receiving a lot of rodent activity calls from his constituents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

16. Order 203498

(ID:16205)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a SLOW – SENIORS sign in front of the Cobble HIll apartments on Washington Street.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 16 through 24 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 203499 (ID:16206)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a STOP sign by Aggies, on Franklin and Pearl Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order 203500 (ID:16207) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 6 Austin Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

19. Order 203501 (ID:16208) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD plant trees at the end of Knowlton Street by the Capuano field. (3rd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

20. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

203502 (ID:16209) That the Chief of Police take appropriate action against speeding motorcycles at the corner of Cross Street and McGrath Highway around 7:30 PM on weekdays.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 203503 (ID:16210) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works paint the entrance sign to East Somerville

22. Order 203504

By Ald. McLaughlin

203504 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the improperly covered patch of turf field at the Capuano School.

**APPROVED** 

ituit field at the Capuallo School

23. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

**RESULT:** 

203505

(ID:16212)

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees at 75 Myrtle Street so the street may be properly illuminated.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

203506 (ID:16213) That the Commissioner of Public Works make sure the water fountain and sprinkler services are working at Deanna Cremin Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin, Ballantyne

203507 (ID:16214) That the Commissioner of Public Works provide shaded areas for public pools including Foss Park and Dilboy.

Alderman McLaughlin is requesting that shaded areas be provided at the public pools.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

26. Order 203508

(ID:16204)

(ID:16221)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Constituent Services provide the residents of Ward 1 with information regarding rodent control.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

27. Order 203509

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Pedestrian Impact Recovery System in the crosswalk at Morrison Avenue and Highland Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

28. Order 203510 (ID:16222) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Engineering install the four curb cuts near Maxwell's Green that the city has committed to installing, and notify the Ward 5 Alderman of the timeline for their installation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

29. Order 203511 (ID:16223)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking report to the Ward 5 Alderman on the Murdock Street neighbors' request for four no parking spots on Murdock Street at Cedar Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

30. Order 203512 (ID:16224)

By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the condition of 17 Ashland Street, and advise, with the City Solicitor, whether the city can force the owner to fix the property, and whether the city should begin the process of having a receiver appointed for the property.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

31. Resolution 203513 (ID:16225)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, and the Entire Board Opposing the Keystone XL Pipeline, and restricting engagement with the financial institutions supporting the pipeline.

Ald. Davis sponsored Robin Ackerman to address the Board on this Resolution. She said that prominent scientists warn that the pipeline will significantly contribute to climate change, contaminate air and water, and present the risk of a catastrophic explosion. The Resolution asks the City Solicitor and the Finance Department to report on available mechanisms to avoid contracting with financial institutions that support the pipeline.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

32. Order 203514 (ID:16226)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth from the rock outcrop behind the field house at Powderhouse Park, extending to the pedestrian walkway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

33. Resolution 203515 (ID:16227)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, and the Entire Board Supporting the local efforts of MOTHERS OUT FRONT on the dangers of climate change and natural gas leaks.

34. Order

203516 (ID:16238) By Ald. White Jr.

That #202853, the Union Square zoning proposal, be discharged from the Land Use Committee pursuant to Rule 47, for consideration at this Board's

May 25 meeting.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 35. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203517 (ID:16193) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on May 17, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He said that video of these meetings is at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning. There was a very detailed conversation about Union Square zoning. Items discussed were the developer's phasing mechanisms: when the commercial and residential developments might happen. There was discussion of offsite affordable housing and when that might happen. Finally, there was a long discussion on the percentage of green/open space in the plan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 36. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203518 (ID:16195) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on May 24, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Discussions revolved around Lincoln Park updates, the city's field maintenance plan, infrastructure and storm water management, and some field updates. As a reminder, the City invested \$9.3 million to infrastructure to park and field renovations. The park now has 100% native trees, plants and shrubs to be planted. The fields are being constructed and built but there was a problem with the soccer fields. The contractor used an incorrect field mixture resulting in uneven grass growing and an inability of the field to properly drain. The City has negotiated with the contractor to redo the fields. The opening of those fields is now planned for the spring of 2019. The next discussion was onsite storm water containment. The City has no overall storm water plan and at the present time, it is dealt with on a case to case basis. A plan needs to be developed and the Engineering Department would like to hire a consultant to determine the best options.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Grant of Location 200428 (ID:13082) Submitted by Envirotrac for Speedway LLC, to advance 3 soil borings in the sidewalk at 24 and 26-28 Kensington Avenue, and install monitoring wells in 2 of those borings.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 202018 (ID:14681) By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, Sullivan, Davis, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Sustainability and Environment report to this Board, and to the School Committee, on the use and necessity of pesticides in city-owned or city-maintained properties, and report on how organic maintenance would compare to current practices.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 202974 (ID:15672) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Parks and Recreation provide this Board with a fields maintenance plan, and comment on the current condition of the East Somerville Community School artificial turf field.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 203362 (ID:16064)

By Ald. Ballantyne, McWatters

That the Director of Capital Projects discuss with this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, using water from the storm water tanks at Nunziato Field to water the field and the Growing Center gardens.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 203364 (ID:16067) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Parks and Open Space consider planting the following list of shrubbery and ground cover at Lincoln Park to meet the goals of sustainability and biodiversity.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 203382 (ID:16126) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the City Arborist advise the Ward 3 Alderman of the condition of the tree on Belmont Street adjacent to Bailey Park.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Resolution 203388 (ID:16134) By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

Expressing to Governor Baker, our State Delegation, and DCR this Board's concern about the possible renovation of Draw 7 Park as a concert venue, due to the resulting traffic and air pollution, and its preference for a high-quality soccer and athletic field there instead.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Officer's Communication 203413 (ID:16073)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/27/17.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 203451 (ID:16164) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Engineer discuss with this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, requiring new building projects to have storm water tanks on site or underground.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## 37. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203519 (ID:16194) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on May 22, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed bicycle safety. The Committee is looking into producing a public safety video with information on the "Dutch Reach," where the driver opens his door with his right hand, allowing him to easily see behind him. Alderman Connolly suggested calling it the "Somerville Stretch." The committee also discussed short-term rentals.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order 201794 (ID:14452) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on measures to design streets and bike lanes, and educate drivers and bicyclists, to increase safety with respect to the door-opening zone for parked cars.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 202782 (ID:15487) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, and the Entire Board

That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services and the Chief Fire Engineer report to this Board on the cause of the fire at 8-10 Appleton Street, including whether the AirBnB rental there was in compliance with city and state laws, and whether it played any role in the cause of the fire.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 202991 (ID:15683)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang, Heuston

That Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking report to this Board on the current policy, or plans, to include bicycle safety education materials in parking permit renewal mailings, and involve this Board and the Bicycle Committee to develop or expand such a program.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 203259 (ID:15969)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide a list of all fines issued to the Cobble Hill Plaza since January 2016.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order

203285 (ID:15994)

(ID:16228)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services issue citations at 32 Webster Avenue for code violations, and direct the owner to clean and repair the property.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 203520

By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of SPCD work with the Bicycle Committee and the Police Department to utilize social media to develop a video to enhance bicycle safety measures.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

38. Mayor's Request 203521 (ID:16189) Requesting acceptance of a 12 month lease of the East Somerville Police Substation and office space at 83 Broadway.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 38 and 39 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

39. Mayor's Request 203522 (ID:16197) Requesting the transfer of \$35,000 from various Workers Comp Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the Workers Comp Salaries Account to cover salaries.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

40. Mayor's Request 203523 (ID:16188) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$31,576.76 in the Election Department, from the Salaries & Wages Temporary Account to the Equipment Account, for modems and ancillary items.

Election Commissioner Nick Salerno spoke on this item, allowing each voting machine to communicate wirelessly to the Election Department on election day. Alderman Rossetti questioned the cost of transmission fees, and he said that would be paid by the IT Department. Since Verizon charges a minimum monthly fee of \$40 per modem, and there would be 25 modems, the total cost would be \$1,000, paid only in those months when there is an election.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

41. Mayor's Request 203524 (ID:16166) Requesting acceptance of a 5,000 grant with no new match required, from Project Bread to the Health and Human Services Department for the Shape Up Somerville Mobile Farmers Market.

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

42. Officer's 203525

Assistant City Solicitor conveying the letter mailed to the Lottery Commission Communication pursuant to #202722 and #203017 re: starting the process to revoke the Lottery Commission License at Winter Hill Market.

(ID:16170)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 42 through 46 and place them on file, with copies sent to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

43. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203482 re: 32 Webster Avenue.

Communication 203526 (ID:16190)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

44. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203248 re: issues with the Chicken & Communication Rice Guys food trucks.

203527 (ID:16196)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Public Health and Public Safety Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

45. Officer's 203528

Director of SPCD conveying the phasing provisions of the Master Land Communication Disposition Agreement between the Redevelopment Authority and Union Square Station Associates.

(ID:16240)

PLACED ON FILE RESULT: **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

46. Officer's

Director of Personnel submitting the Municipal Compensation Advisory Communication Board's wage study recommendations.

203529

**RESULT:** (ID:16198) **FOLLOWUP:** 

PLACED ON FILE **Finance Committee** 

# **NEW BUSINESS**

47. 203530

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Community Preservation Committee Community Path Ribbon Cutting, Community Path at Lexington Park, May 25, 7:45-9AM.

(ID:16244)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 47 through 71 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

48. 203531 (ID:16245)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Cactushead Puppets performance, Chuckie Harris Park, Jun 2, 5:30-8:30PM (raindate Jun 9).

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

49.	203532	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Good Hearted Entertainment performance, Glen Park, Jun 5, 4-7PM (raindate Jun 6).		
(ID:16246)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
50. License/Permit 203533 (ID:16247)	Public Event Pern 12Midnite (rainda	nit, Greene St Block Party, Greene St dead end, Jun 9, 4PM-tte Jun 23).		
	RESULT:	APPROVED		
51.	License/Permit 203534 (ID:16248)	Public Event Permit, Waldo-Marion Neighborhood Neighborways Block Party, Dimick St from Calvin St to Marion Ave, Jun 11, 8AM-12Noon (raindate Jun 18).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	203535		nit, Arts Council Puppet Short Films, Chuckie Harris Park, PM (raindate Jun 23).	
	(ID:16249)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
53.	203536		nit, Boston Sikh Sangat Society Free Drink Distribution, un 17, 8AM-7PM (raindate Jun 24).	
(ID:16250)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
54.	203537	Public Event Permit, Groundworks Somerville Summah Solstice, 138 South St, Jun 17, 12Noon-12:30AM (raindate Jun 18).		
(ID:16251)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
55.	Withdrawn	Withdrawn.		
	203538 (ID:16252)	RESULT:	WITHDRAWN	
56. License/Permit 203539		Public Event Pern 25, 4PM-8PM.	nit, OpenAir Circus Classes, Perry Park, Jun 27, Jul 11, 18,	
	(ID:16253)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
57.	License/Permit 203540		nit, Arts Council Tanglewood Marionettes performance, ark, Jun 28, 4-7PM (raindate Jun 30).	
	(ID:16254)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
58.	License/Permit 203541	Public Event Perm 6, 13, 20, 27, 4PM	nit, OpenAir Circus Classes, Powderhouse Park, Jun 29, Jul I-8PM.	
	(ID:16255)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

59.	License/Permit 203542 (ID:16256)	Public Event Permit, SomerMovie Fest, Seven Hills Park-Jul 6, Jul 13, Aug 24; Assembly Row Sylvester Park-Jul 20; Powderhouse Park-Jul 27; Nunziato Field-Aug 3; ESCS Field-Aug 10; Mystic Housing Development-Aug 17; all 6:30-10:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
60.	203543		nit, Portuguese American Civic League Holy Ghost Feast, 7 6PM-12Midnite, Jul 8 7PM-Midnite, Jul 9, 9AM-10PM.	
	(ID:16257)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.	203544	Public Event Pern Jul 20, 3-8:30PM	nit, Teen Empowerment Summer Block Party, Cross St East, (raindate Jul 21).	
	(ID:16258)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage	License, Jim's Heavy Duty Service, 40 Joy St.	
	203545 (ID:16259)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 203546		License, Broadway Motor Cars, 161 Broadway.	
	(ID:16260)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.	License/Permit 203547	Renewing Garage	License, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.	
	(ID:16261)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.	License/Permit	Renewing Flamm	ables License, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.	
	203548 (ID:16262)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	203549	Renewing Open A Lot.	Air Vendor License, Somerville Flea, Buena Vista Parking	
(ID:16263)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
67.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoo	or Parking License, Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Hwy.	
203550 (ID:16264)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
68.	License/Permit	Renewing Extend	ed Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 516 Medford St.	
	203551 (ID:16265)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit	Renewing Used C	Car Dealers License Class 2, Pearl St Auto Sales, 182 Pearl St.	
	203552 (ID:16266)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

70. 203553

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Hwy.

(ID:16267)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

71. 203554

License/Permit New Transient Vendor License, Restoration Hardware, 133 Middlesex Ave, Fri-Sun May 26-Jul 2, May 29, Jul 3-4.

(ID:16268)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

72. Public 203555 (ID:16241)

The Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets, and Somerville Local Communication First submitting comments re: the Union Sq proposed zoning, the US2 Covenant, and the Community Benefits Ordinance.

> Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 72 and refer it to the Land Use and Legislative Matters Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

Legislative Matters Committee

73. Public

The Maurice and Jane Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice Communication submitting comments re: #203098, the Community Benefits Ordinance.

203556 (ID:16242)

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 73 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

74. Public Communication Branch Library.

Somerville Garden Club submitting comments re: development at the West

203557 (ID:16243)

Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 74 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

75. Order By Ald. Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. 203558 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees at 6 and 8 Greenville (ID:16269) Street.

76. Order 203559

(ID:16270)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, White Jr.

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board's Special Committee Open Space, Environment and Energy regarding Community Choice Aggregation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

77. Order 203560 (ID:16271)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD replace the 2 trees that were removed in 2016 at Rudy's Restaurant in Teele Square.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 77 through 79 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

78. Order 203561 (ID:16272)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD replace the trees along Powder House Blvd. from Dow Street to Alewife Brook Pkwy. to restore the tree canopy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

79. Order 203562 (ID:16273)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes down the center of Ossipee Road from Curtis Street to Packard Avenue, and on Packard Avenue from Ossipee Road to Powder House Blvd.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

80. Order 203563 (ID:16274)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD provide bi-annual progress reports on Assembly Square, Gilman Square, Lowell Street, Winter Hill, and future planned neighborhoods as they are completed.

Alderman Ballantyne requested that the Director of SPCD provide bi-annual plans on community development projects.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

81. Order 203564 (ID:16275) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board That the Director of SPCD incorporate into the initial notice to abutters of development projects, that they may submit their e-mail address to the Planning Department for updates as the designs or plan change.

Alderman Rossetti would like the Director of SPCD to maintain email addresses from abutters so they can be notified of updates on development projects.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

82. Mayor's Request 203565 (ID:16235) Requesting approval to amend Ordinances 2-322 and 2-323 re: municipal salary ranges.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

83. Mayor's Request 203566 (ID:16234) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,968,259 in a bond for accelerated repair of the Winter Hill Community Innovation School, external windows, doors and roofing system.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 83 through 89 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

84. Mayor's Request 203567 (ID:16236) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,700,000 in a bond for street resurfacing, sidewalk improvements and ADA ramps and improvements.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

85. Mayor's Request 203568 (ID:16278) Requesting the appropriation of \$144,050 from the Parks Stabilization Fund to conduct geotechnical engineering at Healey and Conway Parks.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

86. Mayor's Request 203569 (ID:16279) Requesting the appropriation of \$80,000 from the Free Cash Account to the SPCD Economic Development Account-Special Items for a deposit on the purchase of 45 College Avenue.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

87. Mayor's Request 203570 (ID:16233) Requesting the transfer within the Law Office of \$25,000 from the Salaries Account and \$20,000 from the Judgments and Settlements Account, all to the Legal Services Account, to pay anticipated outside legal services.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

88. Mayor's Request 203571 (ID:16276) Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$10,000 from Wynn for the Memorial on the Mystic Fireworks celebration on May 29, 2017.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

89. Mayor's Request 203572 (ID:16277) Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$5,000 from Federal Realty Investment Trust for the Memorial on the Mystic Fireworks celebration on May 29, 2017.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

90. Mayor's Request 203573 (ID:16231) Requesting the re-appointment of Alexandra Kleyman to the Design Review Committee.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 90 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

91. Mayor's Request 203574 (ID:16232) Requesting the appointment of Jordan A. Smith to the Design Review Committee.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 91 and refer to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

92. License/Permit 203575 (ID:16283)

Renewing Billiards and Bowling License, Flatbread Company at Sacco's Bowl Haven, 45 Day St.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 92 through 94 and approve them, except for item 94, which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

93. License/Permit 203576 (ID:16285)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St, 4 tables, 8 seats.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

94. License/Permit 203577 (ID:16284)

New Extended Operating Hours License, Big Belly Deli, 513 Medford St, remaining open Mon-Sat to 2 AM for seating, take-out and delivery.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

### **LATE ITEMS**

95. Mayor's Request 203294 (ID:15779) Requesting approval, under the new Municipal Modernization Act, for certain language pertaining to all past and future bond premiums, as required by Bond Counsel.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

City Treasurer Mike Bertino explained that previously, the city had to budget the closing cost of issuing a bond and then either close it out to free cash or amortize it over the life of the bond. Now, under the new State Municipal Modernization Act, the city must use any extra issuance proceeds to decrease its indebtedness for the purpose of the bonded project, or commit the funds to a like project with an equal or greater term. Alderman Niedergang asked why the Board was considering this rather than the Finance Committee and Mr. Bertino said it was submitted to the Board in late April, but the Finance Committee meeting that was to consider it was cancelled. Since the city is issuing bonds next week, Bond Counsel wants this new required language in place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

96. Mayor's Request 203461 (ID:16095) Requesting approval to enter a 10-year contract with MA DOT for road reconstruction, to reimburse a portion of the city's road reconstruction projects.

Discharged from the Finance Committee.

Public Works Commissioner Stan Koty explained that this is a 10-year contract with MA DOT that allows the city to be reimbursed for road projects from Chapter 9 funds. The contract was last signed in 2007.

RESULT: APPROVED

97. Mayor's Request 203453 (ID:16084) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land and undesignated reserve budgets to the Parks and Open Space Division for the construction of the Winter Hill Schoolyard.

Discharged from the Finance Committee. Alderman White recused. Community Preservation Act Manager Kristen Stelljez requested the appropriation of \$500,000 from the CPA Fund to the Winter Hill Schoolyard. If the Aldermen approve this project, there could be \$673,805 which would roll over from the 2017 budget to be available for projects next year.

98. Officer's
Communication
203020

(ID:15685)

Officer's Asst. City Solicitor responding to #202913 with a draft Home Rule Petition to Communication increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers to 68 years old.

Discharged from the Public Health and Safety Committee.

Alderman Connolly moved to approve this Home Rule Petition, to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers from 65 years old to 68 years old inclusive. This would allow more Police retirees to bring their experience to police details.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

99. Order 203578 (ID:16287)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD work with MA DOT to place a DO NOT BLOCK THE INTERSECTION sign and related street markings at the intersection of Linwood Street and McGrath Highway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

100. Order 203579 (ID:16288) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD plant 2 trees on the corner of Columbus and Prospect Hill Avenues. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Order 203580 (ID:16289) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 47 Columbus Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

102. Mayor's Request 202853 (ID:15547) Requesting an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial subdistricts, a new Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

Discharged from the Land Use Committee.

Planning Director George Proakis distributed an updated draft of the Union Square Zoning plan that incorporated the BOA changes and staff notes since May 2, 2017, and a new Powerpoint explainer. All of this information is available at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning.

Members reviewed the document and made the following changes and inquiries:

**Page 6, 5.8.6, B:** Language will be added to incorporate electronic transmission of information to those who have an interest in the item.

Page 15, 6.7.5, C, 3, b, (g): Alderman requested that a larger audience be notified.

Page 16, 6.7.5, C, 7, a: Capitalize the word "Permit".

Page 17, 6.7.5, D, 4, b, (g): Alderman requested that a larger audience be notified.

**Page 21, 6.7.6, A, 1, a**: Alderman Davis spoke about park size and wanted at least 1 park of 29,000 s/f. Mr. Proakis explained that after deducting the sidewalk areas, it would be 27,000 s/f. There were no objections.

Page 21, 6.7.6, A, 1, c: Mr. Proakis spoke about vegetative landscape and tree canopies. Alderman Niedergang said the definition of vegetative landscape was too inclusive, as it included wood chips, washed stone, etc. Mr. Proakis explained that if a strict number is mandated across all open spaces, it leads to passive spaces. Alderman Niedergang said that he would be amenable to the definition if its scope were narrowed, adding that he would hold off for now so Mr. Proakis could propose different language. Alderman McWatters suggested the term "vegetative landscape" be changed to "green space." Alderman Rossetti said she has heard from many who believe the green space should be more than 25%, and she sponsored US2's Greg Karczewski to address the Board on the topic. Mr. Karczewski said US2 feels that increasing the green space percentage would alter the amount of developing capacity and have ancillary effects. Mayor Curtatone said the proposed zoning helps to accomplish the neighborhood plan. Mr. Proakis explained that the city is working with multiple parcels rather than one large parcel, and that certain buildings work on some sites but not others, so it's difficult to get open space.

**Page 21, 6.7.6, A, 3**: There was discussion about ownership and zoning and Mayor Curtatone said zoning is not the place to address this matter. Mr. Proakis was asked to add to the list of definitions, terms that are used in the document, but defined elsewhere.

**Page 21, 6.7.6, B:** The GLX is slated to start in early 2018 and commercial development must commence within 2 years of the start of the Union Square T station and must be completed within 4 years after that, so potentially 6 years. Alderman Niedergang stated that without a firm date on GLX, the city has no timetable for the development of Union Square. Mayor Curtatone said the Notice to Proceed target is February 9, 2018.

Mr. Karczewski discussed the anticipated development and explained that it came about by prioritizing space for commercial and residential uses. The key to meeting the goal is shared parking. The Post Office project would be the 1<sup>st</sup> phase, followed by the D2 site and the plan is to move forward with permits for the entire D2 parcel. The city will realize \$18 million in revenue. SPCD Director Mike Glavin said that when the RFP for a master developer went out, the understanding was that the developer would use a lot of resources to get things done and the city, for its part, knew it was necessary to work with the developer in a businesslike fashion, relying on the developer's expertise. The RFP didn't set parcel by parcel requirements. President White asked if there is anything in any document to prevent the developer from digging a couple of holes or footings and then claiming that the commercial development has begun so they can build residential developments. Mr. Glavin said if the developer stalls on building, the property could revert to the city. President White asked if there is a meaningful definition for the start of construction and Mr. Glavin said that developer stands to lose much if construction is not performed in a timely fashion. Mr. Karczewski said US2 has expended millions of dollars to get to this point and will spend perhaps another \$5 million to get to the point of pulling permits and starting construction. US2 currently has \$13 billion of development in other areas and their track record is good. US2 has every

incentive to complete the project and needs to recapture their up-front investment, and that can only be done by completing the project. Alderman Niedergang suggested requiring that commercial development be completed before more residential is built or narrowing the construction window from 4 years to 2-2 ½ years. Mr. Karczewski pointed out that there are two constraints to building residential on the D3 parcel; one is the Hospitality Laundry lease and the other is the city's conveyance of property.

This item was referred back to the Land Use Committee.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 11:40 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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### **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 203581 (ID:16329) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters held a moment of silence for Miriam Jenny. Alderman Heuston held a moment of silence for Kenneth Cook. Alderman Sullivan held a moment of silence for Jeannette Lee.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203582 (ID:16330)

Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 11, 2017, and the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203583 (ID:16337)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Bryan BIshop, Commissioner of Veterans' Services, for an outstanding Memorial Week celebration.

Alderman McLaughlin commended Bryan Bishop for the entire Memorial Week celebration.

4. Citation 203584 (ID:16338)

By Ald. Connolly, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Somerville Community Baptist Church for 40 years of religious and social ministry in our community.

Alderman Connolly said the congregation was very appreciative of the citation at last week's celebration.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 203585 (ID:16342) Submitted by Eversource to install 85 feet of conduit in Temple Street, from Pole 330/3 to a point of pickup at 18 Temple Street (315 Broadway).

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource Energy's Jacqueline Duffy discussed the work to be completed. Abutter Daniel Siciliano stated that running the conduit to the transformer next to his property will cut up his sidewalk, and asked why the power couldn't be delivered from Pole #2, moving the transformer closer to the new building. Ms. Duffy said Pole #2 was already at capacity. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Alderman Sullivan's motion that the item be sent to the Committee on Licenses and Permits for further discussion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Resolution 203586 (ID:16304)

By Ald. White Jr., Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti, Heuston, McLaughlin, McWatters Opposing the Concealed Weapons Reciprocity Act of 2017.

President White reported this is one of the most disturbing Congressional Acts of the new Congress, allowing anyone who has a concealed weapons permit in one state, to carry that concealed weapon in any state.

Massachusetts has a strict concealed-carry law, but this Act would allow anyone to carry a concealed weapon here without meeting any of our requirements. The Act also removes Federal Safe School Zones, which prohibit concealed weapons in school areas.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Davis

7. Order 203587 (ID:16305)

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of Purchasing provide a written review for this Board on the implementation of the Living Wage Ordinance, including the current hourly rate and its use in city agreements.

President White requested the Director of Purchasing provide a written review of the Living Wage Ordinance and its enforcement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

8. Order 203588

By Ald. White Jr.

(ID:16306)

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment explain before this Board the Community Choice Aggregation Initiative as outlined in the letter sent to all residents.

President White would like the Director of Sustainability to explain the initiative in light of the mailing that caused a lot of confusion among residents.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

9. Order 203589 (ID:16307) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the Quincy Park area for rodents, and address the conditions there that may attract them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

10. Order 203590 (ID:16308) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of the Arts Council update this Board on the ArtFarm and any current uses of the former Waste Transfer station.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

11. Order 203591 (ID:16309)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a sign at the entrance of Prentiss Street to indicate its Private Way status.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Order 203592 (ID:16310)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Chief of Police report to this Board the number of traffic violations issued to vehicles exiting Hawkins Street that need to access the far left lane, and work with the Traffic Engineer to address access issues for residents of Hawkins Street.

Alderman Heuston reported that people are receiving \$150 tickets for trying to access the far left lane of Somerville Avenue when exiting Hawkins Street to get to the other side of Union Square. There is literally no other way to do this. The Traffic Engineer needs to restudy this area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 203593 (ID:16295)

By Ald. Ballantyne, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD provide a bi-annual progress report on the 100 Homes Initiative, specifically relating to the new affordable off-site housing units granted by the Planning Board to FRIT on May 18, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne wants the Board to be regularly updated on the 100 Homes Initiative.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

14. Order 203594 (ID:16311)

By Ald. Connolly

That the City Solicitor draft an Ordinance prohibiting the public consumption of marijuana.

Alderman Connolly wants a draft Ordinance prohibiting the public consumption of marijuana. Currently walking down the street with an open bottle of alcohol is an arrestable offense subject to a \$300 fine, but walking down the street smoking marijuana is not an arrestable offense, and carries only a \$100 fine.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

15. Order 203595 (ID:16312)

By Ald. Connolly, White Jr., Rossetti, Sullivan, Niedergang That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the dead trees, weeds and shrubs at the Lowell Street-Community Path stairwell, landscape the Path from Lowell Street to Cedar Street, and regularly maintain it.

Alderman Connolly feels this area has been recently neglected.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

16. Order 203596 (ID:16313)

By Ald. Connolly, White Jr., Rossetti, Sullivan, Niedergang, Davis That the Commissioner of Public Works arrange for the correction of the poorly installed landscaping along the newly paved asphalt on the Community Path from Grove to Cedar Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 203597 (ID:16314)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing bollards on the east side of the Lowell Street bridge at the Community Path Extension ramp.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

18. Order 203598 (ID:16315)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking instruct Parking Control Officers to regularly ticket the NO PARKING spots on the east side of Cedar Street by Trum Field, particularly in the evenings and Saturdays.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

19. Order 203599 (ID:16316)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chief of Police enforce traffic laws at Cedar Street and Franey Road, as cars are making U-turns there and speeding over the Cedar Street bridge, and trucks are backing out into the street and blocking it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

20. Order 203600 (ID:16317) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the use of the toxic herbicide Finale on weeds at Trum Field, and what alternative methods of weed control have been tried.

Alderman Niedergang reported that the DPW is using a highly toxic weed killer near public seating areas, and wants the Commissioner of Public Works to address it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

21. Order 203601 (ID:16318) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD plant trees in front of the Water and Sewer Department on Franey Road to replace the dead tree, the almost dead tree, and the empty tree well.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 203602 (ID:16319) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD plant a tree to replace the dead tree on Cedar Street by Trum Field.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Resolution 203603 (ID:16320)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Mayor submit to this Board for confirmation, the names of all Board and Commission members whose terms have expired, especially those who serve on Boards that deal with critical development issues such as the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals, the Redevelopment Authority and the Condominium Review Board.

Alderman Niedergang would like the Mayor to submit to the Board for confirmation the names of all board and commission members with expired terms, to encourage accountability.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

24. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters 203604 That the Commissioner of Public

203604 That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on the east side of (ID:16321) Porter Street between Summer Street and Brastow Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203605 That the Director of SPCD provide all cost estimates and data used to support the affordable housing waiver for the 500 unit apartment complex at Assembly

Row.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

26. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

203606 That the Director of SPCD work with Partners Healthcare to create a local jobs

(ID:16323) program for available jobs onsite.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

27. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes and cracks on the

(ID:16324) corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Cross Street East.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203608 That the Director of Traffic and Parking ticket illegally parked vehicles

(ID:16325) between Gilman Square and 240 Pearl Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203609 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services remind the property owners by the foot bridge on McGrath Highway of their responsibility to maintain the

grass by the footbridge.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

30. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203610 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services clean the broken concrete

(ID:16327) barrier by Pinckney Street and Pearl Street.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 31. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203611 (ID:16303) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on June 8, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee interviewed candidates for the Human Rights Commission.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203300 (ID:15781) Requesting the appointment of Aladdine Joroff to the Conservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 203301 (ID:15960) Requesting the appointment of Conor Krupke to the Human Rights Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 203302 (ID:15961) Requesting the appointment of Nadir Ait-Laoussine to the Human Rights Commission.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

# 32. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203612 (ID:16300) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on June 6, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee took action on several Community Preservation Fund appropriations, as well as bonds to renovate the Winter Hill Community School and fund street work.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202906 (ID:15557) Requesting a transfer of \$55,577 from the Transportation and Infrastructure Personal Services Account to the Salary Contingency Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 203454 (ID:16085) Requesting the appropriation of \$80,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for design services for the Healey Schoolyard.

D. Mayor's Request 203455 (ID:16086) Requesting the appropriation of \$49,200 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Veterans Services Division for design services for Henry Hansen Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 203456 (ID:16082) Requesting the appropriation of \$20,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for a survey of the Community Path.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 203457 (ID:16083) Requesting the appropriation of \$13,000 from the CPA Fund open space and recreation land reserve to the Parks and Open Space Division for the creation of a butterfly garden pocket park at Morse-Kelly Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 203566 (ID:16234) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$3,968,259 in a bond for accelerated repair of the Winter Hill Community Innovation School, external windows, doors and roofing system.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Davis

H. Mayor's Request 203567 (ID:16236) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,700,000 in a bond for street resurfacing, sidewalk improvements and ADA ramps and improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Davis

I. Mayor's Request 203568 (ID:16278) Requesting the appropriation of \$144,050 from the Parks Stabilization Fund to conduct geotechnical engineering at Healey and Conway Parks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Davis

J. Mayor's Request 203569 (ID:16279) Requesting the appropriation of \$80,000 from the Free Cash Account to the SPCD Economic Development Account-Special Items for a deposit on the purchase of 45 College Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente, Davis

K. Mayor's Request 203570 (ID:16233) Requesting the transfer within the Law Office of \$25,000 from the Salaries Account and \$20,000 from the Judgments and Settlements Account, all to the Legal Services Account, to pay anticipated outside legal services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 33. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203613 (ID:16292) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 30, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. This meeting discussed the Union Square Zoning. The video of this discussion is available on the City website at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 34. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203614 (ID:16293) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on May 31, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. This meeting discussed the Union Square Zoning. Video of this meeting is available on the City website at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### 35. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203615 (ID:16301)

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 6, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. This meeting discussed the Union Square Zoning. The video of this discussion is available on the City website at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning. The next item discussed was #202854, a Zoning Ordinance with respect to affordable housing and technical updates, which was approved.

B. Mayor's Request 202854 (ID:15548) Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to adjust the definition of Net Floor Area, clarify affordable housing required in RA and RB districts, and confirm the process to approve subdivisions, lot splits, lot mergers and lot line adjustments.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

# 36. LAND USE COMMITTEE

(ID:16302)

A. Committee Report 203616 Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 7, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The meeting discussed the Union Square Zoning. Video of this meeting is available on the City website at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 37. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203617 (ID:16328) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 8, 2016.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The meeting discussed the Union Square Zoning. Video of this meeting is available on the City website at www.somervillema.gov/unionsquarezoning. Discussion on the proposed Union Square Zoning amendment finally concluded, and the amendment was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 202853 (ID:15547) Requesting an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial subdistricts, a new Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

This item was replaced by #203689, which was Ordained.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

C. Resolution 203690 (ID:16412) By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration incorporate into the Development Covenant with US2, a requirement that "Area Standard Contractors" be used in all phases of construction related to the Union Square Development.

# 38. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203618 (ID:16299) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 1, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed funding a portion of the City's \$50,000,000 GLX contribution by collecting revenues from developers of projects and large landowners benefitted by the Green Line Extension. The Committee recommended that the City Solicitor develop a Home Rule Petition for such a purpose.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 203619 (ID:16361) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor prepare a Home Rule Petition for the city to collect revenues from developers and large landowners benefited by the Green Line Extension.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

39. Mayor's Request 203620 (ID:16336) Requesting an appropriation of \$217,230,067 to fund the City of Somerville Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 39 through 43 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

40. Mayor's Request 203621 (ID:16339) Requesting an appropriation of \$21,628,116 to fund the FY2018 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

41. Mayor's Request 203622 (ID:16340) Requesting an appropriation of \$14,561,069 to fund the FY2018 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 203623 (ID:16343) Requesting the appropriation of \$599,139 in FY2017 Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings as a funding source for the FY2018 Water Enterprise Fund Budget and to mitigate a rate increase.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

43. Mayor's Request 203624 (ID:16282) Requesting the appropriation of \$327,373 from the Park Stabilization Fund to the General Fund Debt Service Account to pay for incurred debt service for FY17 Parks renovation and construction.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

44. Officer's Communication Sewer Rates.

Acting Director of Water and Sewer submitting proposed FY18 Water and

203625

(ID:16298)

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 44 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Officer's

Retirement Board requesting approval of an increase in the retiree Cost of Communication Living Adjustment base to \$14,000.

203626 (ID:16344)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

46. Officer's 203627 (ID:16239)

Licensing Commission requesting consideration of an amendment to Communication Ordinance 2-219(a) to reduce the number of required legal advertisements for certain license applications from two to one, to expedite public hearings without impacting public input, and to align the city with advertising standards statewide.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

47. Officer's Communication meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 04/27/17

203628 (ID:16290)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 47 through 49 and place them on file and refer them to the proper Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

48. Officer's Communication meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to items approved at the 05/11/17

203629 (ID:16291)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 49. Officer's Communication turf.

Parks & Recreation Department responding to #203504 re: the Capuano Field

203630 (ID:16333)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

# **NEW BUSINESS**

50. 203631

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville StrEATS, College Ave at Powderhouse Park, Tuesdays Jun 13-Oct 31, 4-8:30PM.

(ID:16352)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 50 through 61 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 51. 203632 (ID:16286)

Public Event Permit, School St Block Party, Summer St to Somerville Ave, Jun 17, 1-9PM (raindate Jun 24).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

52. License/Permit 203633

Public Event Permit, Boston Burger Company Eating Challenge, Statue Park, Jun 17, 3:30-7:30PM.

(ID:16353)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. License/Permit 203634

(ID:16354)

**RESULT:** 

Public Event Permit, OpenAir Circus Classes, Nunziato Field, Tuesdays Jun 27, Jul 11, 18, 25, 4-8PM.

**APPROVED** 

54. License/Permit 203635

(ID:16355) **RESULT:** 

Public Event Permit, Stoutenburgh/Monmouth St Block Party, Jul 4, 4-10:15 PM.

55. License/Permit

203636 (ID:16356) Public Event Permit, Humane League Vegan Ice Cream Social, Powderhouse Park, Jul 19, 5-9PM (raindate Jul 26).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 203637

Renewing Flammables License, Home Depot, 75 Mystic Ave.

(ID:16347)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

57. License/Permit 203638

Renewing Garage License, Valvoline Instant Oil Change, 182 Washington St.

(ID:16345)

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

**APPROVED** 

58. License/Permit 203639

Renewing Garage License, Fellsway Auto Repair, 693 McGrath Hwy.

**RESULT:** (ID:16348)

**APPROVED** 

59. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Teddy's Foreign Motors, 68 Joy St.

203640 (ID:16349)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

60. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, JC Auto Repair Center, 91 Prospect St.

203641 (ID:16350)

RESULT: APPROVED

61. License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Fred M. Susan Auto Body, 269 Somerville Ave.

203642 (ID:16351)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

62. Public Jen Brown submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203643 (ID:16341)

Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 62 and refer it to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

63. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203644 (ID:16331) That Director of Constituent Services and Director of Communications correct the city-wide call lists for residents of Boston Avenue who reside in Ward 7 and delete them from the Ward 5 list.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203645 (ID:16332) That Director of Traffic and Parking correct the "Parking Permit Renewal Calendar" for Ward 7 residents by including those who reside on Boston Avenue and deleting same from the Ward 5 calendar.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

65. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203646 (ID:16335) That the City Solicitor draft a Building Energy Use Disclosure Ordinance to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by requiring owners of larger buildings to disclose annual energy use.

Alderman Ballantyne thanked constituent Renee Scott for bringing this matter to her attention.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

66. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203647 That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a SLOW-CHILDREN (ID:16362) PLAYING sign on Dell Street at Tufts Street.

67. Mayor's Request 203648 (ID:16366) Requesting approval of an Ordinance establishing and authorizing Departmental Revolving Funds.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 67 through 90 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

68. Mayor's Request 203649 (ID:16368) Requesting the acceptance of the provisions of MGL c40, ss 22A, 22B and 22C relative to Parking Meter Revenues.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

69. Mayor's Request 203650 (ID:16367) Requesting the acceptance of the provisions of MGL c44, s53F3/4, PEG Access and Cable Related Fund.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

70. Mayor's Request 203651 (ID:16377) Requesting approval to create the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund for the purpose of funding the city's \$50,000,000 contribution to MassDOT.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

71. Mayor's Request 203652 (ID:16378) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,980,001 from Receipts Reserved for Appropriation-Sale of Buildings to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

72. Mayor's Request 203653 (ID:16357) Requesting an appropriation of \$882,893 to fund the FY18 Veterans Memorial & Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

73. Mayor's Request 203654 (ID:16359) Requesting an appropriation of \$205,000 to fund the FY2018 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

74. Mayor's Request 203655 (ID:16358) Requesting an appropriation of \$10,693 from the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY18 Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

75. Mayor's Request 203656 (ID:16364) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to reduce the FY2018 Tax Levy.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

76. Mayor's Request 203657 (ID:16382) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,433,453 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

77. Mayor's Request 203658 (ID:16379) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

78. Mayor's Request 203659 (ID:16383) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

79. Mayor's Request 203660 (ID:16384) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

80. Mayor's Request 203661 (ID:16380) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

81. Mayor's Request 203662 (ID:16381) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

82. Mayor's Request 203663 (ID:16371) Requesting the appropriation of \$428,801 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to Debt Service Interest on Notes BAN to fully fund the account in FY2017.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

83. Mayor's Request 203664 (ID:16370) Requesting the appropriation of \$393,140 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the Snow Removal Deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

84. Mayor's Request 203665 (ID:16369) Requesting the appropriation of \$371,541 for the FY2018 PEG Access and Cable Related Fund.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

85. Mayor's Request 203666 (ID:16374) Requesting the appropriation of \$220,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Traffic Safety Stabilization Fund to fund a Traffic Mitigation/Improvement Plan.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

86. Mayor's Request 203667 (ID:16373) Requesting the appropriation of \$7,422 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ["Free Cash"] Account to the SETB 911 to eliminate a grant deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

87. Mayor's Request 203668 (ID:16372) Requesting the appropriation of \$109 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") Account to the Traffic Enforcement Account to eliminate a grant deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

88. Mayor's Request 203669 (ID:16365) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$700,000 in the Department of Public Works, from various accounts to the Snow Removal Account, to remediate a deficit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

89. Mayor's Request 203670 (ID:16375) 90. Mayor's

Requesting a transfer of \$330,000 from the Salary Contingency Account to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

Request 203671 (ID:16360)

Requesting the approval of FY21018 Expenditure Limitations for Departmental Revolving Funds.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

91. Mayor's Request 203672 (ID:16363) Requesting the reappointment of Robert Racicot to the Housing Authority.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 91 and 92 and refer them to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

92. Mayor's Request 203673 (ID:16385) Requesting the appointment of Victor A. Silva to the Condominium Review Board.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

93. Mayor's Request 203674 (ID:16376)

Requesting that the President of this Board appoint an Alderman to the Municipal Building Master Plan Working Group.

President White asked that any Alderman wishing to serve on this group so notify him.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

94. Officer's

Superintendent of Inspectional Services and Assistant City Solicitor Communication responding to #203481 re: 20 Adrian Street.

203675 (ID:16334)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

95. Withdrawn 203676 (ID:16386) Withdrawn.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

96. Withdrawn 203677 (ID:16387) Withdrawn.

**RESULT: WITHDRAWN** 

97.	Withdrawn 203678 (ID:16388)	Withdrawn.		
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98.	Withdrawn 203679	Withdrawn.		
	(ID:16389)	RESULT:	WITHDRAWN	
99.	Withdrawn 203680 (ID:16390)	Withdrawn.		
		RESULT:	WITHDRAWN	
100.	Withdrawn 203681 (ID:16391)	Withdrawn.		
		RESULT:	WITHDRAWN	
101.	Public	73 rasidants submi	tting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
101.	Communication		, ,	
	203682 (ID:16392)		requested to waive the readings of items 101 through 104 the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the	
		motion was appro	oved.	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	PLACED ON FILE Land Use Committee	
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102.	Public Communication 203683 (ID:16393)		ori Antonino submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq	
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
		FOLLOWUP:	Land Use Committee	
103.	Public	Katharina Widmar	submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
103.	Communication 203684 (ID:16394)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
		FOLLOWUP:	Land Use Committee	
104.	Public Communication 203685 (ID:16395)	Wig Zamore submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.		
		<b>RESULT:</b>	PLACED ON FILE	
		FOLLOWUP:	Land Use Committee	
	LATE ITEMS			
105.	Public	Pennie Taylor subr	mitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	Communication 203686	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
			I and Use Committee	

Land Use Committee

**FOLLOWUP:** 

(ID:16397)

106. Public

Communication 203687

(ID:16398)

Mike Gintz submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

107. Public

Wig Zamore submitting further comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203688 (ID:16399)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

108. Mayor's Request 203689 (ID:16400) Requesting approval of an updated amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial subdistricts, a new Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map, all as approved by the Land Use Committee's meeting on 6/8/17.

For discussion of this item, see #202853.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [9 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

NAYS: McLaughlin ABSENT: Lafuente

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 12:30 AM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 203691 (ID:16448) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for Helen McDade.

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203692 (ID:16449)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 25, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203693 (ID:16451)

By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Otters, Somerville Youth Soccer League's Girls Under-10 Travel Team, who were undefeated in the 2017 Commissioner's Cup Tournament.

Alderman Ballantyne presented the players and coaches of the Otters, who were undefeated, with the Citations.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 203694 (ID:16452) Submitted by Eversource to install 36 feet of conduit in Chandler St, from Pole 227/9 to a point of pickup at 74 Chandler St.

The President opened the public hearing. Shannelle Grant with Eversource discussed the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

5. Grant of Location 203695 (ID:16453) Submitted by Comcast, to install a new manhole in Somerville Ave, then install 117 feet of conduit in School St from Pole NT on School St southerly to the new manhole, and on to a point of pickup at 440 Somerville Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Dave Flewelling with Comcast discussed the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

Grant of 6. Location 203696 (ID:16454) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks to install 7 feet of conduit from Pole 12/29 near Kent St to the existing Level 3 underground system in Beacon St.

The President opened the public hearing. Herb Bertoni with Lightower discussed the details of the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203697 That the City Arborist update this Board's Committee on Open Space.

(ID:16415) Environment and Energy on the Ash Borer prevention and maintenance plan

for this year.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

8. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203698 (ID:16432) That the Director of SPCD discuss options property owners have to split lots in residential neighborhoods.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

9. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203699 That the Chief of Police monitor the traffic illegally traveling down Victoria Street during restricted times. (ID:16433)

10. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203700 That the City Arborist advise the Ward 7 Alderman of the health of the tree

(ID:16403) between 63 and 65 Conwell Avenue.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

11. Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, Sullivan, Ballantyne, Davis, White Jr. 203701

Requesting to shift funds in the US federal budget from military spending to job creation and social and environmental needs. (ID:16416)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

12. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> That the Directors of SPCD and Traffic and Parking meet with the Ward 5 203702

(ID:16427) Alderman to discuss traffic calming measures on Central Street on either side

of the Hoyt Sullivan playground.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

13. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 203703 That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the missing Pedestrian Impact (ID:16426) Recovery System (pop up caution sign) in the crosswalk at Morrison Avenue

and Highland Road (2nd request), and at Central and Vernon Streets.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

14. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 203704 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the uplifted sidewalk at 41

(ID:16428) Rogers Avenue.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 203705 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree branches that are

touching the house at 41 Rogers Avenue. (ID:16429)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

16. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 203706 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the faded "No Parking (ID:16430)

Anytime" sign on the east side of Lowell Street north of Albion Street, and

trim the branches that are obstructing it.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

17. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the "No Parking Anytime" 203707

restriction on the east side of Lowell Street north of Albion Street. (ID:16431)

18. Ordinance 203708 (ID:16422)

By Ald. Heuston

Requesting the adoption of an amendment of the Zoning Ordinance map to rezone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

Alderman Heuston would like to make sure this area is re-zoned to Residence B.

Item also referred to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

19. Resolution 203709 (ID:16423)

By Ald. Heuston, Niedergang, and the Entire Board That the US2 Master Developers use Area Standard Contractors for the construction of development parcels in Union Square.

Alderman Heuston said that as long as there is significant development in the City, the Board needs to advocate as much as possible for "area standard contractors" that offer health benefits, retirement benefits, training and good wages to their employees. After several Aldermen spoke in support, the President said the entire Board agreed with her.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

20. Order 203710 (ID:16424) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD require all utility and street contractors to secure metal plates when work ceases, to eliminate loose, vibrating plates.

With this item and #21, Alderman Heuston expressed her concern about the noise unsecured metal plates make.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 203711 (ID:16425) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Solicitor consult with the Commissioner of Public Works to draft an ordinance requiring contractors and utilities to secure metal plates during street construction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

22. Order 203712 (ID:16434) By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead trees on College Avenue between Morrison and Francesca Avenues and on Kidder Avenue between Willow and Josephine Avenues.

Alderman Davis wants someone to check the warranty for this tree before the City pays for its replacement.

23. Order 203713 (ID:16435)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD arrange for the re-distribution of recreational furniture, such as Adirondack chairs, to be used in city parks and playgrounds.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

24. Order 203714 (ID:16436) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk at 13 Rush Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

25. Order 203715 (ID:16437)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services address rodent issues on Cross Street Place, Wisconsin Avenue, MacArthur Street, Franklin Street,

Pearl Street Mt. Pleasant Street, Alston Street and Gilman Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

26. Order 203716 (ID:16438)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works ensure that the water fountains in

Assembly Row are operational.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 203717

(ID:16439)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the low hanging wire on the

bottom of Mt. Vernon Street by Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Order 203718 (ID:16440)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works address loose water pipe lids in front of 19 and 21 Pennsylvania Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order 203719 (ID:16441)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 3 and Ward 5 aldermen if the developer of 31 Porter Street violated any laws by doing work without permits and if any landscape regulations were violated with the defoliation of the property.

Aldermen McWatters and Niedergang suspected the contractor violated defoliation regulations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

30. Order 203720 (ID:16442)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels at 5 Spring

Hill Terrace.

RESULT: APPROVED

31. Order 203721 (ID:16443)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works cut the grass at Dickerman Park.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

32. Order 203722 (ID:16444)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pot holes on Summer Street between Porter and Craigie Streets.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

33. Order 203723 (ID:16445)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Director of Urban Forestry consider planting more trees on Belmont and Craigie Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

34. Order 203724 (ID:16446) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Director of SPCD consider placing a bump-out at the corner of Lowell and Summer Streets.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

35. Order 203588

By Ald. White Jr.

203588 (ID:16306) That the Director of Sustainability and Environment explain before this Board the Community Choice Aggregation Initiative as outlined in the letter sent to all residents.

Director of Sustainability and Environment Oliver Sellers-Garcia discussed the outreach for the Community Choice Aggregation Initiative. For seniors, there was an insert in the Council on Aging Newsletter for May and June, and a question and answer session at a Council breakfast. There was also outreach to large building managers in the Council's database. The City is also preparing reminder postcards with simplified information for seniors, increasing the frequency of broadcast of an explanatory video on the City Cable reel, as well as program information on the City Cable bulletin board.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 36. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203725 (ID:16404) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 12, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee began budget deliberations and received a presentation by the Mayor.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203726 (ID:16405) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 13, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported that the Committee continued its budget deliberations.

RESULT: APPROVED

# 38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203727 (ID:16406) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 14, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported that the Committee continued its budget deliberations. It also approved a transfer within Workers Compensation accounts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203522 (ID:16197) Requesting the transfer of \$35,000 from various Workers Comp Ordinary Maintenance Accounts to the Workers Comp Salaries Account to cover salaries.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 39. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203728 (ID:16407) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 15, 2017.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 39 through 41 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

#### 40. **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 19, 2017.

203729 (ID:16408)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on

June 20, 2017. 203730

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE 42.

(ID:16409)

(ID:16410)

A. Committee Report 203731

Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 21, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee continued deliberations on the budget, and approved the FY18 water and sewer rates.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Officer's Communication Sewer Rates.

Acting Director of Water and Sewer submitting proposed FY18 Water and

203625 (ID:16298)

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE 43.

A. Committee Report 203732 (ID:16411) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on June 22, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee finished its budget deliberations with line item cuts, Resolutions, and a number of related items to the Board for approval. Total municipal cuts were \$418,194, so the FY18 Municipal Budget ended up at \$216,811,873. There were also \$19,160 in cuts to the Water Enterprise Fund, so the final budget ended up at \$14,541,909. Other Funds were approved as submitted.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Request 203460 (ID:16029) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$6,000 from the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management, under the Intelligence and Information Sharing Goal Area.

C. Mayor's Request 203521 (ID:16189) Requesting acceptance of a 12 month lease of the East Somerville Police Substation and office space at 83 Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 203565 (ID:16235) Requesting approval to amend Ordinances 2-322 and 2-323 re: municipal salary ranges.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Rossetti

E. Mayor's Request 203620 (ID:16336) Requesting an appropriation of \$217,230,067 to fund the City of Somerville Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** This Board cut \$418,194 in appropriations, leaving a

final FY 2018 General Fund Appropriation of

\$216,811,873.

F. Mayor's Request 203621 (ID:16339) Requesting an appropriation of \$21,628,116 to fund the FY2018 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 203622 (ID:16340) Requesting an appropriation of \$14,561,069 to fund the FY2018 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

RESULT: A

APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** 

This Board cut \$19,160 in appropriations, leaving a final FY 2018 Water Enterprise Fund Appropriation of

14,541,909.

H. Mayor's Request 203623 (ID:16343) Requesting the appropriation of \$599,139 in FY2017 Water Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings as a funding source for the FY2018 Water Enterprise Fund Budget and to mitigate a rate increase.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 203624 (ID:16282) Requesting the appropriation of \$327,373 from the Park Stabilization Fund to the General Fund Debt Service Account to pay for incurred debt service for FY17 Parks renovation and construction.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

J. Mayor's Request 203648 (ID:16366) Requesting approval of an Ordinance establishing and authorizing Departmental Revolving Funds.

Finance Director Ed Bean explained that the law now requires that Revolving Fund authorizations be initially ordained.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

K. Mayor's Request 203649 (ID:16368) Requesting the acceptance of the provisions of MGL c40, ss 22A, 22B and 22C relative to Parking Meter Revenues.

RESULT: APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 203650 (ID:16367) Requesting the acceptance of the provisions of MGL c44, s53F3/4, PEG Access and Cable Related Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 203651 (ID:16377) Requesting approval to create the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund for the purpose of funding the city's \$50,000,000 contribution to MassDOT.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

N. Mayor's Request 203652 (ID:16378) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,980,001 from Receipts Reserved for Appropriation-Sale of Buildings to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

O. Mayor's Request 203653 (ID:16357) Requesting an appropriation of \$882,893 to fund the FY18 Veterans Memorial & Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

P. Mayor's Request 203654 (ID:16359) Requesting an appropriation of \$205,000 to fund the FY2018 Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund Budget.

Q. Mayor's Request 203655 (ID:16358) Requesting an appropriation of \$10,693 from the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY18 Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

R. Mayor's Request 203656 (ID:16364) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to reduce the FY2018 Tax Levy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

S. Mayor's Request 203657 (ID:16382) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,433,453 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Water and Sewer Stabilization Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

T. Mayor's Request 203658 (ID:16379) Requesting an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

U. Mayor's Request 203659 (ID:16383) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

V. Mayor's Request 203660 (ID:16384) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

W. Mayor's Request 203661 (ID:16380) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Capital Projects Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

X. Mayor's Request 203662 (ID:16381) Requesting an appropriation of \$500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Community Preservation Act Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED

Y. Mayor's Request 203663 (ID:16371) Requesting the appropriation of \$428,801 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to Debt Service Interest on Notes BAN to fully fund the account in FY2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Z. Mayor's Request 203664 (ID:16370) Requesting the appropriation of \$393,140 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the DPW Snow Removal Account to mitigate the Snow Removal Deficit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AA. Mayor's Request 203665 (ID:16369) Requesting the appropriation of \$371,541 for the FY2018 PEG Access and Cable Related Fund.

RESULT: APPROVED

AB. Mayor's Request 203666 (ID:16374) Requesting the appropriation of \$220,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Traffic Safety Stabilization Fund to fund a Traffic Mitigation/Improvement Plan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

AC. Mayor's Request 203667 (ID:16373) Requesting the appropriation of \$7,422 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ["Free Cash"] Account to the SETB 911 to eliminate a grant deficit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AD. Mayor's Request 203668 (ID:16372) Requesting the appropriation of \$109 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") Account to the Traffic Enforcement Account to eliminate a grant deficit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AE. Mayor's Request 203669 (ID:16365) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$700,000 in the Department of Public Works, from various accounts to the Snow Removal Account, to remediate a deficit.

# AF. Mayor's Request 203670 (ID:16375)

Requesting a transfer of \$330,000 from the Salary Contingency Account to the Salary & Wage Stabilization Fund.

Alderman Rossetti questioned this transfer. Finance Director Ed Bean responded that every year the balance of the salary contingency account is transferred to the Stabilization Fund. The Salary Contingency allows for contractual salaries, sick leave payouts, etc., within a fiscal year. The Stabilization Fund allows for retroactive payments for contract settlements, and carries over across fiscal years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin

# AG. Mayor's Request 203671 (ID:16360)

Requesting the approval of FY21018 Expenditure Limitations for Departmental Revolving Funds.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

# AH. Order 203733 (ID:16515)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

That this Board deems it necessary to include in the FY18 budget an appropriation of \$18,000 from the General Fund to the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund to provide the use of Dilboy Field to Somerville non-profit youth football and soccer organizations without charge, and so requests that the Mayor make that appropriation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

# AI. Resolution 203734 (ID:16516)

By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That this Board's President work with the Administration on renegotiating the Tufts PILOT agreement.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

# AJ. Resolution 203735

By Ald. Rossetti

(ID:16517)

That the Community Preservation Committee consider allocating funds to house our municipal employees.

# RESULT: APPROVED

# AK. Resolution 203736 (ID:16518)

By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board

That the Administration commit \$100,000 per year for at least the next three years to the First Source Job Training Program.

AL. Resolution 203737

By Ald. Connolly

203/3/ (ID:16519) That the Administration consider increasing the annual salary of the Director of Planning and Planning Department staff.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AM. Resolution 203738 (ID:16520) By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McWatters, Heuston, Lafuente That the Administration consider returning Animal Control's kennel services to the city's control.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AN. Order

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Health and Human Services report in writing to this Board (ID:16521) by October 1, 2017 on the progress of supportive efforts with our community's

non-profits to address substance abuse.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

AO. Order 203740 (ID:16522) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Grant Manager report to this Board by October 15, 2017 on progress in supporting SomerPromise.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

AP. Order 203741 (ID:16523) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Personnel implement bi-weekly payroll for all employees.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

AQ. Order 203742 (ID:16524) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Fleet Manager provide a 2017 mid-year report of all services provided by the Fleet Management Department, and the expenses to date in each of its line items.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

AR. Order 203743 (ID:16525) By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of Communications add a video screen that can provide closed-caption viewing on the left side of the Aldermanic Chamber.

AS. Order 203744 (ID:16526) By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment provide all constituents interested in opting out of the Community Choice Aggregation program with Dynegy's contact information: DESCustCare@Dynegy.com, 866-220-5696 (M-F 9AM–8PM).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

AT. Resolution 203745 (ID:16527) By Ald. Sullivan, and the Entire Board

That the Administration consider funding certain Somerville non-profit youth sports program needs, such as CORI checks, equipment, fields, insurance, and financial aid for eligible families.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AU. Resolution 203746 (ID:16528) By Ald. Sullivan

That the Administration consider establishing a mounted horse unit in the Police Department.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AV. Resolution 203747 (ID:16529)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services consider increasing the salary of the wiring inspector to attract a suitable candidate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AW. Resolution 203748 (ID:16530) By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang, Rossetti,

McWatters, Lafuente, White Jr.

That the Administration perform a needs assessment and financial impact study to evaluate the impact of Union Square and Assembly Row developments on the operations of Police, Fire, DPW and Traffic and Parking Departments.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

AX. Order 203749 (ID:16531) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD focus workforce development plans on vulnerable adults, determine if additional funds are needed, and provide this Board with a quarterly progress report.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

AY. Resolution 203750 (ID:16532) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration develop an advisory committee for the SomerPromise program.

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

44. Mayor's Request 203751 (ID:16420) Requesting approval to appropriate and expend \$50,000 from the Workforce Training Stabilization Fund for one year of funding for First Source Workforce Readiness programming.

Alderman Rossetti asked if this item affected the budget previously approved. Finance Director Ed Bean said it did not, but was an appropriation to a Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

45. Mayor's Request 203752 (ID:16447) Requesting acceptance of a \$250,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Energy Resources to the Office of Sustainability and Environment for indoor lighting and public electric vehicle charging stations.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

46. Mayor's Request 203753 (ID:16417) Requesting acceptance of a \$15,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Housing and Economic Development to SPCD for the creation of a workforce development plan.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 49 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

47. Mayor's Request 203754 (ID:16296) Requesting acceptance of a \$6,943 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Fire Services to the Fire Department for the Student S.A.F.E. Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

48. Mayor's Request 203755 (ID:16297) Requesting acceptance of a \$3,196 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Fire Services to the Fire Department for the Senior S.A.F.E. Program.

RESULT: APPROVED

49. Mayor's Request 203756 (ID:16421) Requesting acceptance of a \$600 grant with no new match required, from the MA Council on Aging to the Council on Aging for the Live Your Life Well program.

50. Mayor's Request 203757 (ID:16401) Requesting the appointment of Troy Saulnier to the position of Fire Fighter.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 50 and 51 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

51. Mayor's Request 203758

Requesting the appointment of Stephen Cafferky to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

52. Officer's 203759 (ID:16413)

(ID:16402)

Director of Economic Development requesting to brief this Board about Communication opportunities to advance public private partnerships (P3) and the upcoming P3 Showcase.

> Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 52 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

53. Officer's Communication 203760 (ID:16456)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203489 re: 20 and 22 Durham St.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 53 and 54 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

54. Officer's Communication

203761

(ID:16455)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203512 re: 17 Ashland St.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

55. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Flag Day Event, Prospect Hill Park, Jun 17, 9AM-1PM. 203762

(ID:16457)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 55 through 79 and approve them all except for items 74, 77, 78 and 79 which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

56.	License/Permit 203763 (ID:16458)	Public Event Permit, Arts Council Night Market, Union Sq Plaza, Jul 8, 2-10:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
57.	License/Permit 203764 (ID:16459)		mit, Arts Council Haiti and Brazil Hit the 'Ville, Union Sq 1:30PM (raindate Jul 29).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
58.	License/Permit 203765 (ID:16460)	Public Event Pers 4-9PM.	mit, OpenAir Circus final rehearsals, Nunziato Field, Aug 1-2,	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
59.	203766		mit, OpenAir Circus performances, Nunziato Field, Aug 3-6, Aug 3 8AM, cleanup Aug 7 1PM.	
	(ID:16461)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
60.	License/Permit 203767 (ID:16462)	Gore St in Camb	mit, Saints Cosmas and Damian Italian Cultural Festival, from ridge along area streets to Medford St-Somerville Ave back, Sep 10, 3:30-5:30PM (raindate Sep 17).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
61.		Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, Baystate Engineering.	
	203768 (ID:16463)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
62.	License/Permit 203769 (ID:16464)	Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, Tufts Construction.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 203770 (ID:16465)	Renewing Drainl	ayer's License, JRF Corp.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.	License/Permit 203771 (ID:16466)	Renewing Flamn	nables License, Coresite Real Estate, 70 Innerbelt Rd.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.	License/Permit 203772 (ID:16467)	Renewing Garage	e License, Enterprise Rent-a-Car, 37 Mystic Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit 203773 (ID:16468)	Renewing Garage	e License, GE Auto Repair, 631 Somerville Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

67.	License/Permit 203774 (ID:16469)	Renewing Garage License, ABJ Auto Repair, 91 Marshall St.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 203775 (ID:16470)	Renewing Garage	License, Mike's Auto Services, 6 Beach Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit 203776 (ID:16471)	Renewing Garage	License, Somerville Auto Center, 193 Somerville Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
70.	License/Permit 203777 (ID:16472)	Renewing Garage	License, Goodyear Auto Service Center, 1 Bow St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
71.	License/Permit 203778 (ID:16473)	Renewing Taxi Stand License, Green Cab and Yellow Cab Assn, 6 cabs at 2 Broadway, 4 cabs at 1 Davis Sq, 4 cabs at 30 Washington St, 3 cabs at 22-2 Union Sq.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
72.	License/Permit 203779 (ID:16474)	Renewing Junk De	aler's License, Pleasant Exchange, 370 Mystic Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
73.	License/Permit 203780 (ID:16475)	Renewing Billiards and Bowling License, Thunder Road, 379 Somerville Ave.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
74.	License/Permit 203781 (ID:16480)	New Hawker Peddler License, Felsuma LLC, selling adhesive products in Davis Sq.		
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	
75.	License/Permit 203782 (ID:16476)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, On the Hill Tavern, 499 Broadway.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
76.	License/Permit 203783 (ID:16477)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, India Palace, 23 Union Sq.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
77.	License/Permit 203784 (ID:16478)	New Used Car Dea vehicles inside, 15	aler's License Class 2, L and S Truck Sales, 40 Joy St, 9 outside.	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	

78. 203785

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Somerville Motors, 182 Washington St, no vehicles inside, 26 outside.

(ID:16479)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

79. 203786 (ID:16481)

License/Permit New Garage License, Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave, 5 vehicles inside, 10 outside.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Licenses and Permits Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

80. **Public** 203787 (ID:16450)

Daniel Siciliano submitting comments re: #203585, a Grant of Location Communication proposed by Eversource Energy for service at 315 Broadway.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 80 and place it on file. He then moved to discharge #203585, a proposed Grant of Location, from the Licenses and Permits Committee. Because abutter Daniel Siciliano no longer opposed the Grant of Location, he moved approval of the item. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

81. Resolution 203788

By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti, Connolly, Davis, Niedergang, Heuston, White

Jr., Sullivan, McWatters

Re-affirming this Board's commitment to the principles of the Paris (ID:16508) Agreement, and to making Somerville carbon neutral and a net-zero emitter of climate change-causing greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

> Alderman Ballantyne spoke about clean energy and climate change and making Somerville Carbon Neutral.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

82. Ordinance 203789 (ID:16502) By Ald. White Jr., McLaughlin, Davis, McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Niedergang, Heuston, Lafuente

Proposing an amendment to Ordinance 2-24 regarding the terms of city officers.

Alderman White proposed an amendment to Ordinance 2-24 regarding board and commission holdovers, saying that after a certain period of time, appointments should terminate and the positions become vacant.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

83. Order 203790 (ID:16500)

By Ald. Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Chief of Police conduct directed patrols in the vicinity of 252 Medford Street to reduce speeding traffic.

84. Order 203791 (ID:16499) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police conduct directed patrols on Otis Street to reduce speeding vehicular traffic.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

85. Resolution 203792 (ID:16498)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Administration utilize the drug Senestech to sterilize rats as one of many measures to control the rodent population.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

86. Order 203793 (ID:16497)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pot holes in front of 220 and 220A Summer Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

87. Order 203794 (ID:16496)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Water and Sewers repair the depression around the sewer at the corner of Porter and Summer Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

88. Order 203795 (ID:16486) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 42 Spring St.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

89. Order 203796 (ID:16492) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the City Arborist replace the dead tree on the south side of Kidder

Avenue near Willow Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

90. Order 203797 (ID:16491) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of Water and Sewers repair the storm drain/catch basin that is sinking below the street surface on the south side of Kidder Avenue, by the Brown School near Willow Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

91. Order 203798 (ID:16490) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sinking patch on the street at 22 Clyde Street.

92. Order 203799

By Ald. Niedergang

203799 (ID:16489)

(ID:16487)

(ID:16485)

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sinking patch on the street at 8 Clyde Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

93. Order 203800

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken vestibule on the electric pole on the corner of Broadway and Glen Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

94. Resolution 203801

By Ald. Heuston, Davis

That the Administration establish a Pedestrian Safety Committee to promote pedestrian concerns and provide feedback from a pedestrian perspective.

Alderman Heuston said this was strongly endorsed by the Bike Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

95. Order 203802 (ID:16484)

By Ald. Heuston, Davis

That the City Solicitor and the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide this Board with a plan to address the use of AirBnB for whole house rentals, including communications to residents who report such uses.

Alderman Niedergang said it is illegal to rent out an entire unit for a short-term rental of less than 30 days. Alderman Davis said it's time to step in and take action on AirBnB rentals. Alderman Heuston questioned what the plan of action would be if complaints came in.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

96. Order 203803 (ID:16483)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD coordinate with the Director of Traffic and Parking on all parking restrictions related to park and other construction projects, to ensure ample notice of parking restrictions to neighbors.

Alderman Heuston thinks homeowners should get 48 hour notice on parking restrictions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

97. Order 203804 (ID:16482) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the water fountain in the Argenziano School playground.

98. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

203805 (ID:16488) Acting as President, cancelling the Regular meetings of this Board that were scheduled for July 27, 2017, and August 10, 2017.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

99. Mayor's Request 203806 (ID:16494) Requesting to appropriate or reserve \$1,984,489 in estimated FY18 CPA revenue for CPA projects and expenses.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

100. Mayor's Request 203807 (ID:16512) Requesting acceptance of a \$15,603.29 grant with no new match required, from the Cambridge Health Alliance to the Health and Human Services Department for Emergency Preparedness Dispensing Site Plans.

Health and Human Services Director Doug Kress explained that this was a last minute grant that was received to plan for emergency preparedness dispensing sites and pay contractors to complete their work.

Alderman Heuston recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Mayor's Request 203808 (ID:16414) Requesting authorization to seek a PARC grant of \$400,000 for Prospect Hill Park renovations.

RESULT: REFER

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

102. Officer's Communication 203809 (ID:16511)

Officer's Finance Director conveying the items currently in this Board's Committee on Communication Finance that are associated with the approval of the FY18 budget.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 102 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

103. Officer's
Communication
203810

(ID:16495)

Director of Purchasing responding to #203587 re: the Living Wage Ordinance.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 103 and refer it to the Finance Committee. With no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

104. Officer's Communication 203811 (ID:16493)

Officer's Director of Sustainability and Environment responding to #203588 re: the Communication Community Choice Aggregation Initiative.

Alderman Connolly appreciated the Director's efforts to clarify the Initiative. He would like to know how many residents opted out. Alderman Niedergang would like to know how many chose the 100% renewable option. Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia said he will provide this information.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

105. Officer's Communication 203812 (ID:16396)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/8/17.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 105 and 106 and refer them to Committee as appropriate. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

106. Officer's Communication 203813

(ID:16281)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/25/17.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

107. License/Permit 203814 (ID:16501)

Public Event Permit, Teen Empowerment Summer Block Party, Cross St East from Broadway to, and including, Chuckie Harris Park, Jul 20, 3-8:30PM (raindate Jul 21).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 107 through 113 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

108. License/Permit 203815 (ID:16503)

Public Event Permit, Great Urban Campout, Conway Park Field, Aug 26 Noon-Aug 27 Noon (raindate Aug 25-26).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

109. 203816

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Fremont Ave Block Party, Fremont Ave dead end, Aug 27, 2-9PM (raindate Sep 3).

(ID:16504)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

110.

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, PV Barone Corp.

203817 (ID:16505)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

111.

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, MJM Construction.

203818 (ID:16506)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

112. License/Permit 203819 (ID:16507)

Outdoor Seating License Amendment, Maya Sol Mexican Grill, 179 Broadway, adding 2 tables, 8 chairs.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

113. 203820 (ID:16509)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Genki Ya of Somerville, 246 Elm St, 4 tables, 8 chairs.

114. Withdrawn

203821 (ID:16510) Withdrawn.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

#### LATE ITEMS

(ID:16342)

115. Grant of Location 203585

Submitted by Eversource to install 85 feet of conduit in Temple Street, from Pole 330/3 to a point of pickup at 18 Temple Street (315 Broadway).

Discharged from the Licenses and Permits Committee. See Agenda #80 for discussion.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

116. Order 203822 (ID:16514) By Ald. Davis, White Jr.

That this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters draft appropriate language to require this Board's approval of certain licenses entered into by the City for a term of more than 3 years.

Alderman Davis wants the Committee on Legislative Matters to work with the City Solicitor to update Ordinance 2-369.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

## 117. DISCUSSIONS

## A. City Solicitor discusses Boat House contract.

City Solicitor Frank Wright explained that the pending lease with DCR for the Mystic River Boathouse is in excess of 3 years, but is a license, not a contract as defined in Ordinance 2-369, so it is not subject to this Board's approval.

## B. Legislative Liaison discusses long-term access to FY18 budget documents.

Legislative Liaison Annie Connor explained that the FY18 budget documents used by this Board during its recent deliberations will be maintained on the city website.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:30 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 203823 (ID:16598) Call of the Roll.

Alderman White sponsored a moment of silence for Tom Battinelli. Alderman Sullivan sponsored a moment of silence for Joan Gorman.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203824 (ID:16599)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 8, 2017.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203825 (ID:16606)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Somerville Youth Softball Tornadoes, for winning the 2017 Intercity Championship in the 12U Division.

Alderman McLaughlin presented the Tornadoes with citations for winning the 2017 Intercity Championship in the 12U Division.

4. Citation 203826 (ID:16607)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending the Somerville Youth Softball Cyclones, for winning the 2017 Intercity Championship in the 10U Division.

Alderman McLaughlin presented citations to Cyclones for winning the 2017 Intercity Championship in the 10U Division.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Citation 203827 (ID:16608)

By Ald. the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Nancy Aylward, who is retiring after 27 years of outstanding service to the City, including the last 14 years in the Mayor's Office.

A Citation for 27 years of outstanding service to the city will be presented to Ms. Aylward at a later date.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

6. Withdrawn 203828 (ID:16602)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

7. Grant of Location 203829 (ID:16603) Submitted by Eversource to install 45 feet of conduit in Highland Ave and Willow Ave, from Manhole 11101 on Highland Ave to a point of pickup on Willow Ave at the rear of 346 Highland Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 203830 (ID:16604) Submitted by Eversource to install 8 feet of conduit in Russell St, from Pole 197/3 to a point of pickup at 41 Russell St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource Energy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Grant of Location 203831 (ID:16605) Submitted by Verizon to install 33 feet of conduit in Cleveland St, from Pole 420/3 to a point of pickup at 21-23 Cleveland St.

The President opened the public hearing. Elizabeth Kelly with Verizon discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

10. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203832 That the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board on the

(ID:16544) Somerville Forward Community Meeting held on June 26, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

11. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203833 That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the appropriate utility to

(ID:16582) remove the suspended double pole at 4 Howard Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

12. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203834 That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes on Cameron Avenue.

(ID:16583) **RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203835 That the Director of SPCD prioritize Cameron Avenue for repaving. (ID:16584)

RESULT: APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

The Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 33 Teele Avenue for yard

(ID:16585) trash.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

15. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 138 Powder House Blvd.

(ID:16545) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

16. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Arborist review the health of the tree between 143 and 147 Powder

(ID:16546) House Blvd.

17. Order 203839 (ID:16550)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the City Solicitor draft an amendment to Ordinance 11-38(d)(2) to strengthen the language regarding rodent eradication prior to developments being constructed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

18. Order 203840 (ID:16594) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider expanding the required time for notifying neighborhoods of street closures from 48 to 72 hours.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

19. Order 203841 (ID:16595)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the first three median lights on the east end of Broadway.

RESULT: APPROVED

20. Order 203842 (ID:16593) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait Autumn Street for rodents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

21. Resolution 203843 (ID:16559)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the city's MassPort CAC/Logan Representative appear before this Board to report on progress in relation to air traffic noise pollution.

Alderman Rossetti and President White invited Wig Zamore to report on air traffic noise pollution. Alderman White reported that he reviewed all Logan Airport flights during the evening and then the next morning in May and June. In May, runway 33L was used for evening departures until around midnight on 22 of 31 evenings. That same runway was used for early morning takeoffs on 17 of 31 mornings beginning as early as 5:08 a.m. The same pattern continued in June. Residents in the flight path received less than 6 hours of sleep for half of the month. Mr. Zamore reported that MassPort and the FAA hired John Hansman from MIT to develop a list of small short-term tactics that can reduce noise, and explore long-term fixes, like changing the thrust with which aircraft depart from 33L, and spreading the current RNAF a bit. Alderman White said there is a standing order from Logan that between midnight and 6:00 a.m., Logan is supposed to use the runway configuration that goes over the water, and they're not doing that. Mr. Zamore said there are only two long runways, 33L and 4R. Large jets taking off from Logan prefer the long runways and will not take off over Boston Harbor for safety purposes. Alderman White said a letter will be drafted to the FAA Administrator.

22. Resolution 203844 (ID:16561)

By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne, Niedergang, McWatters, Heuston Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session with the Administration to receive updates on all ongoing contract negotiations.

Alderman Rossetti requested that the Administration provide updates on union contract negotiations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

203845 (ID:16560)

Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting of June 26, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the SHS Building Committee meeting on June 26, 2017. Members would be meeting on the 27th with the Historic Commission to review plans and receive their sign-off on certain aspects of the project. Suffolk Construction is now on-site with the Project Manager. In the spring, a the City will conduct a public meeting to address questions regarding the heavy construction that will begin. Finally, survey data regarding parking will soon be made available.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

24. Order 203846 (ID:16562)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Arborist and Tree Warden determine if the trees on the back side of Prospect Hill Park are creating a public safety issue for the residents on Columbus Avenue.

Alderman McWatters reported that a resident who lives behind Prospect Hill Park had a tree fall onto his garage causing substantial damage.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order 203847 (ID:16563) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Arborist and Tree Warden determine the vitality of the tree on Warren Avenue at Properzi Manor.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 203848 (ID:16564)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of SPCD conduct Prospect Hill neighborhood working sessions with the Ward 3 Alderman to discuss installing a roundabout at the intersection of Munroe Street and Prospect Hill Parkway.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order 203849 (ID:16565)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of SPCD work with the Ward 3 Alderman and residents to determine what traffic calming measures could ensure safer mobility for pedestrians and motorists at the intersection of Summer and Lowell Streets.

Alderman McWatters stated that there are constant accidents at this intersection and he would like to have some neighborhood working sessions with the Director of SPCD to see what could make it safer.

28. Order 203850 (ID:16566) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Director of SPCD consider adding more safety zones wherever it is deemed appropriate.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Order 203851 (ID:16567)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis That the Commissioner of Public Works maintain the bocci court at Dickerman Park.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

30. Order 203852 (ID:16568)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan That the Commissioner of Public Works replace or repair the sidewalk panels at 44 Walnut Avenue.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

31. Resolution 203853 (ID:16569)

By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne, Niedergang, Rossetti, McWatters, Connolly, Heuston, Sullivan, McLaughlin, Lafuente, and the Mayor Supporting the continuation of the Temporary Protected Status program for immigrants who cannot return safely to their home countries.

Alderman Davis recused.

Alderman White and the entire Board supported the continuation of the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) program for immigrants. Congressman Capuano and the entire Congressional Delegation already sent a letter to the Department of Homeland Security asking that the program be extended for Haiti until 2019. Cambridge passed a similar Resolution. Boston Mayor Walsh also sent a letter in support of an extension. Alderman Heuston supported having a safe harbor in Somerville for immigrants. Alderman Sullivan said it should be done for other countries as well. Aldermen Rossetti and McWatters thanked President White for bringing this matter to the Board.

Somerville residents who would be affected by the end of the TPS program spoke. Many are immigrants from Central America, who need protection from deportation because they cannot safely return to their countries. These include families that have been living in the US for many years and have been paying taxes. Some thanked the Board for opening the doors to City Hall to them. Some commented that they contribute to the City. Some are business owners. Some have children who are US citizens attending our schools. They are our neighbors, friends and family members and they need to be protected.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

32. Resolution 203854 (ID:16571)

By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board Supporting the MA Nurses Association in negotiations for the Registered Nurses of Tufts New England Medical Center for safe working conditions and fair wage and retirement benefits.

33. Order

Order By Ald. Heuston 203855 That the Commis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the wooden fence behind the

(ID:16572) SCAT building.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203856 (ID:16573)

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth from the intersection of Beacon Street and Concord Avenue and from tree wells and sidewalks on Beacon Street from the intersection of Washington and

Dickinson Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

35. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203857 (ID:16574) That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees that are blocking the traffic signal at the intersection of Cooney and Beacon Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

36. Order

By Ald. Heuston

203858 (ID:16575) That the Director of SPCD replace the unhealthy trees on Somerville Avenue from Porter Square to Union Square, determine why so many are unhealthy, and advise whether the replacement costs can be recouped from the Mass Highway Project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

37. Order 203859 (ID:16576)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking limit cut through traffic on Hanson Street by installing signage that allows abutters only at 7–9AM and 4–7 PM at identified locations, and ensure that this matter is addressed at the Traffic Commission's next meeting, on July 20, 2017.

Alderman Heuston wants the City Solicitor to appear before the Traffic and Parking Committee to inform the Board of its power to place items on the Traffic Commission agenda, and explain how items are put on it.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED Traffic and Parking Committee

38. Order 203860 (ID:16577)

By Ald. Heuston

The Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the Beacon Street Star Market for health code violations and for the source of odors reported by neighbors, and report the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

39. Order 203861 (ID:16578)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

The Superintendent of Inspectional Services direct Eversource to trim the overgrowth at the Willow Avenue transfer station, especially at the public sidewalk, and to properly maintain the building and grounds.

Alderman Connolly was informed from Eversource that this work will be done this coming weekend.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

40. Order 203862 (ID:16579)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Niedergang, Davis That the Commissioner of Public Works and Arborist implement an inspection and maintenance schedule to prevent the accumulation of trash, invasive plants, trees and weeds along the entire Community Path.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

41. Order 203863 (ID:16580)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the leaking gate valve control at the corner of College and Winslow Avenues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

42. Order 203864 (ID:16581)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the damaged shrub on the Powderhouse Rotary.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

43. Order 203865 (ID:16586)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD post at least 3 green "Park Regulations" signs showing that dogs must be leashed on the new section of the Community Path (1) by Maxwells' Green, (2) at the east side of Cedar Street, and (3) at the Lowell Street entrance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

44. Order 203866 (ID:16587)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking fix the upside down speed limit sign near 125 Central Street.

45. Resolution 203867 (ID:16588)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Mayor's Office, working with the Director of Engineering, report to this Board on improving Eversource's communications with, and responsiveness to, this city's residents, concerning gas meter replacement, street construction and utility work.

Alderman Niedergang stated that Hudson Street has been dug up to replace the gas line and the residents are frustrated and concerned about the outside installation of gas meters. Eversource has been unresponsive to residents' questions. Alderman Niedergang requested the Administration appoint someone to represent the residents in dealings with large utility companies.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

46. Order 203868 (ID:16589)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor provide an opinion to this Board no later than August 1, 2017 on the legality of #203789, a proposed amendment to Ordinance 2-24 regarding the terms of city officers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

47. Order 203869 (ID:16590)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board no later than August 1, 2017, with an update on an ordinance to establish the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund and a Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

48. Order 203870 (ID:16591) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board no later than August 1, 2017 on progress on a revised demolition review ordinance following the 3 community meetings this spring.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

49. Order 203871 (ID:16592)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a CAUTION – CHILDREN AT PLAY sign in front of either 7 or 13 Henderson Street.

50. Order 203872 (ID:16596)

By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin That the Building Department not issue any demolition permits until a rodent elimination program has been completed by the applicant, and provide an explanation to this Board whenever a permit is issued without a completed program.

Alderman Sullivan would like to see an Ordinance requiring that a rodent elimination program be completed before the applicant can receive a demolition permit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

51. Order 203873 (ID:16597)

By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin That the Director of SPCD repave Otis Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203874 (ID:16555) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting on July 11, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed with the Chief Assessor a number residential exemption issues for one, two, and three family homes. The Committee requested that the Administration hire an independent financial consultant to review actual and proposed increases in debt and prepare a risk analysis including the amount of new growth required to support the debt.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order 203286 (ID:15996) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with the numbers of residential exemptions issued this year for one, two and three family homes, along with the total numbers of such homes, and compare these numbers with prior years.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203287 (ID:15997) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Chief Assessor provide this Board with the numbers of sales of one, two and three family homes, with the number of residential exemptions claimed by the purchasers of those homes for the latest fiscal year.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 203380 (ID:16130) By Ald. White Jr., Ballantyne

That the Administration work with this Board to hire an independent financial consultant to review the actual and proposed increases in debt and prepare a risk analysis, including the amount of new growth required to support that debt, while accounting for projected spending increases in the remainder of the budget.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Officer's

Chief Assessor responding to #203286 and #203287 re: information about Communication residential exemptions.

WORK COMPLETED

203465 (ID:16069)

**RESULT:** 

F. Mayor's Request 203808 (ID:16414) Requesting authorization to seek a PARC grant of \$400,000 for Prospect Hill Park renovations.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### 53. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203875 (ID:16551)

Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on June 26, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed having US2, the master developer of Union Square, use area standard contractors for the development work. Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder discussed an article from the Boston Globe dated 11/20/16 entitled. "Inquiry Nearing End Over Various Unions' Ties to City Hall." Alderman Niedergang recommended that everyone read it. The Committee also spoke about the future of the Art Farm near Brickbottom, which is being considered as a possible site for the Public Safety Building.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 200135 (ID:12757) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Administration report to this Board about communicating with Federal Realty Investment Trust regarding #199601, a request that FRIT provide the wages, hours and residency of everyone employed at the parcel 6 site, pursuant to the attached letter from Rand Wilson.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

**Public** 

C.

Tufts University submitting its Spring 2017 University Accountability report.

Communication 202972 (ID:15666)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Public Harvard University submitting its Spring 2017 University Accountability Communication report.

202985 (ID:15676)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED E. Order

203590 (ID:16308) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of the Arts Council update this Board on the ArtFarm and any current uses of the former Waste Transfer station.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order

203876 (ID:16535) By Ald. Lafuente

That the City Solicitor provide this Board with a written opinion on #203709 re: using area standard contractors, by the July 10, 2017 meeting of the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

G. Resolution 203877

(ID:16536)

By Ald. Lafuente

That the Administration provide a written response on the process for school playground and school area improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

### 54. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203878 (ID:16554) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on July 10, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee met with representatives from Tufts University for an update on the conversion of wood frame office houses into residential housing, in both Medford and Somerville. Tufts has no plans to build more dorms. The only plan they have is to convert current wood frame houses into student housing. Tufts hopes to begin construction in Medford next year. The Committee also heard that Federal Realty complied with the Planned Unit Development Plan in Assembly Sq. Alderman McLaughlin requested that Planning Director George Proakis provide all data used to support the Affordable Housing Waiver for the 500 unit apartment complex in Assembly Row at Block 8. The Committee also requested a progress report on the Hundred Homes Initiative. Finally, eminent domain issues were discussed, at Cobble Hill, where the Administration it not inclined to take the property, and at the Winter Hill Star Market site, where the Administration intends to establish a committee of residents and stake holders this fall to discuss an urban renewal plan that could lead to an eminent domain taking.

B. Order By Ald. Niedergang

202181 (ID:14874) That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the development of a strategic plan for the city's role in workforce development and job training, and the city's intention on implementing the recommendations in the 2013 Somerville Jobs Advisory Committee Report.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203217 (ID:15917) That the Director of SPCD provide, by 4/18/17, an assessment of the FRIT Assembly Square development's compliance with the PUD and the intent of the Ordinance, and of its compliance with the levels in effect at the time of the PUD preliminary master plan approval.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203261 (ID:15971) That the Director of SPCD begin the process of seizing the abandoned Cobble Hill Plaza by eminent domain with the intention of building a land trust and open space at the site.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203605 (ID:16322) That the Director of SPCD provide all cost estimates and data used to support the affordable housing waiver for the 500 unit apartment complex at Assembly Row.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

203606 (ID:16323) That the Director of SPCD work with Partners Healthcare to create a local jobs program for available jobs onsite.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Officer's Director of Economic Development requesting to brief this Board about Communication opportunities to advance public private partnerships (P3) and the upcoming P3 203759 Showcase.

(ID:16413)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 55. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203879

(ID:16552)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on June 28, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee recommended approval of a Home Rule Petition to enable the collection of revenues from developers of projects and large land owners benefited by the GLX. It would allow the City to collect revenue going forward, without impacting prior agreements. Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder said the areas around the GLX stations have yet to be defined.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution 202599 (ID:15288) By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That the Mayor, the City Solicitor, and this Board's Committee on Legislative Matters develop a Home Rule Petition to enable the collection of revenues from developers of projects and large landowners benefited by the GLX.

For the approved Home Rule Petition, see #203935.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203619 (ID:16361) By Ald. Rossetti

That the City Solicitor prepare a Home Rule Petition for the city to collect revenues from developers and large landowners benefited by the Green Line Extension.w

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### 56. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203880 (ID:16553) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on July 6, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed with Assistant City Solicitor Dave Shapiro an Ordinance creating a Community Benefits Committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution 203881 (ID:16547) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration draft a Dark Sky ordinance addressing applicability, color temperature standards, prescriptive or performance standards, DPW oversight, and exemptions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 57.

A. Committee Report 203882

(ID:16556)

Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on July 12, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee dealt with 12 straightforward license and permit issues. Licensing Commission Chairman Andrew Upton requested an amendment to Ordinance 2-219(a) to reduce the number of legal advertisements for certain license applications from two to one. The Committee recommended approval. The Committee had considered reducing the advanced notice to 7 days before a meeting, but found that State statute requires 10 days.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 203052 (ID:15752) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Administration re-examine the annual race routes through Davis, Teele and Powder House Squares and report to this Board's Committee on Licenses and Permits.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C.

License/Permit New Flammables License, Vixs Auto Service, 73 Summer St.

203473 (ID:16177)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. 203474

License/Permit New Garage License, Vixs Auto Service, 73 Summer St.

(ID:16178)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

E. Officer's 203627 (ID:16239)

Licensing Commission requesting consideration of an amendment to Communication Ordinance 2-219(a) to reduce the number of required legal advertisements for certain license applications from two to one, to expedite public hearings without impacting public input, and to align the city with advertising standards statewide.

> **RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

F. 203784

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, L and S Truck Sales, 40 Joy St, 9 vehicles inside, 15 outside.

(ID:16478)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

G. 203785 (ID:16479)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer's License Class 2, Somerville Motors, 182 Washington St, no vehicles inside, 26 outside.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

## 58. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 203883 (ID:16557) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on July 12, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed trees, LED lights installed around the City, and gas leaks. The City Arborist informed the Committee that 70 trees have been planted in each Ward, with about 50% native. The Committee discussed methane gas leaks that kill trees, and found that the Ash Borer Prevention and Maintenance Plan has begun, with 270 out of 432 trees treated, and the balance to be treated in the next 2-3 weeks. The Committee discussed the health effects of LED lighting, citing AMA data that humans are affected by lighting greater than 3,000 Kelvin. The lighting on the side streets in Somerville is currently at 4,000 Kelvin. The Committee made a strong recommendation that the City address this problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 203267 (ID:15976) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board

That the Commissioner of Public Works ascertain the number of gas leaks in the city, keep data on all reported leaks, and develop a plan with Eversource and National Grid to eliminate the leaks.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203268 (ID:15979) By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment work with the city's arborist to compile data on trees that die as a result of gas leaks.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 203360 (ID:16062) By Ald. Ballantyne, Niedergang

That the Administration discuss with the Commissioner of Public Works efforts to de-pave city-owned schools.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order 203389 (ID:16132) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on plans for a soccer field at the Healey School playground and the redevelopment of the fields at Conway Park, with timelines for both projects.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 203493 (ID:16199) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr. That the City Arborist evaluate the vitality of the trees at 70 Craigie Street, 64 Craigie Street, and the intersection of Prospect Hill Avenue and Munroe Street.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order

203559 (ID:16270) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, White Jr.

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board's Special Committee Open Space, Environment and Energy regarding

Community Choice Aggregation.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

Order H.

203600 (ID:16317) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the use of the toxic herbicide Finale on weeds at Trum Field, and what alternative methods of weed control have been tried.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

I. Order

> 203697 (ID:16415)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the City Arborist update this Board's Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy on the Ash Borer prevention and maintenance plan for this year.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. Order

203744 (ID:16526) By Ald. Connolly

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment provide all constituents interested in opting out of the Community Choice Aggregation program with Dynegy's contact information: DESCustCare@Dynegy.com, 866-220-5696 (M-F 9AM-8PM).

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

K. Officer's

> 203811 (ID:16493)

Director of Sustainability and Environment responding to #203588 re: the Communication Community Choice Aggregation Initiative.

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

L. Officer's

Communication 203812 (ID:16396)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/8/17.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### 59. RODENT ISSUES SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Committee A. Report 203884 (ID:16558) Report of the Special Committee on Rodent Issues, meeting on July 13, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed Magoun Square, identifying locations that may be a source of trouble. Ideas considered were private trash pick-up, private baiting in addition to City baiting, grease removal, removing things that attract rats like bird feeders, cat food bowls, and water bowls, and requiring more stringent rules for baiting in advance of a demolition project. The Committee approved a motion that ISD compel access to properties where property owners are not cooperative.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

B. Order By Ald. Connolly 200714 That the City Solid

That the City Solicitor petition the courts to allow the city onto properties (ID:13355) requiring remedial action when there is an emergency public health issue.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

201090 (ID:13741) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services provide this Board with an update regarding rodent prevention fliers.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order By Ald. Niedergang

201322 (ID:13976) That the Supervisor of Inspectional Services monitor 499 Medford Street for open trash, to control a rat infestation in the area.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. Heuston

201709 (ID:14379) That the Director SPCD ensure that rodent baiting is integrated into the entire Beacon Street project and work collaboratively to address recent rodent issues that have already increased in the active section of the project.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

201991 (ID:14665) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services regularly bait the sewer at 66 Newbury Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

201992 (ID:14664) That the Commissioner of Public Works regularly empty the trash bin at the West Somerville Neighborhood School, across from 17 Raymond Avenue, and

check for rodents.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

202151 (ID:14829) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the sewer at 24 Endicott Avenue to mitigate rodent activity.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order By Ald. Heuston

202194 (ID:14891) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the Emerson Street neighborhood for rodent issues and take all necessary actions.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 202435

(ID:15117)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services intensify rodent control around Magoun Square, particularly on Norwood Avenue and Lowell Street, and report to the Ward 5 Alderman by December 8 with an update.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 202437 (ID:15123) By Ald. Sullivan, Niedergang, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the sewers on Albion and Hudson Streets between Lowell and Central Streets.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Order 202440 (ID:15122) By Ald. Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services consider using dry ice for rodent control and report the findings to this Board.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 203487 (ID:16215) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional services bait all public facilities along Merriam Street, including sewers and the Public Safety Building, cite all private properties on the street where conditions exist to attract rodents, and distribute informational door knockers to those properties with evidence of rodent activity.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Order 203497 (ID:16203)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services provide a rundown of all rodent control efforts throughout Ward 1 and a plan for rodent control for the summer.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order 203508 (ID:16204) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Constituent Services provide the residents of Ward 1 with information regarding rodent control.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Order 203885 (ID:16664) By Ald. Connolly

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services seek a court order to compel access to properties when property owners are not cooperative.

Q. Order 203886 (ID:16665) By Ald. Connolly

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services consider reinstating the rat birth control program, and report back to the Special Committee on Rodent Issues by August 14 on his findings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

60. Mayor's Request 203887 (ID:16540) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,600,000 in a bond for the acquisition of 45 College Avenue.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

61. Mayor's Request 203888 (ID:16570) Requesting approval to appropriate \$360,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Assembly Square Master Plan.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

62. Mayor's Request 203889 (ID:16537) Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$0 to the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund for the use of Dilboy Field by Somerville non-profit youth football and soccer organizations without charge.

Alderman Rossetti asked Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder for a timeline to present the Administration's data analysis on Dilboy field use. Mr. Snyder said the Mayor's Office would have something to present this fall. President White asked that the City Solicitor inform the Board if it has the ability to appropriate a sum of money, by the Board's next meeting after the summer break.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

63. Mayor's Request 203890 (ID:16346) Requesting acceptance of a \$195,111 grant with no new match required, from the MA Workforce Skills Cabinet to SPCD for the 2017 MA Skills Capital Grant Program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Mayor's Request 203891 (ID:16533) Requesting the acceptance of a \$89,000 grant from the MA DMH Police-Based Jail Diversion Program for the Police Department's Crisis Intervention Team Training.

65. Mayor's Request 203892 (ID:16549) Requesting acceptance of a \$50,000 grant with no new match required, from the federal Urban Areas Security Initiative to the Police department for maritime equipment.

Legislative Liaison Annie Connor explained that the grant is for the purchase of a boat to respond to emergencies in the Mystic River.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

66. Mayor's Request 203893 (ID:16534) Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$37,315 from the Department of Mental Health for the Police Department's Jail Diversion Program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

67. Mayor's Request 203894 (ID:16541) Requesting the appointment of Mary Wright to the Police Reserve.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 67 through 69 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

68. Mayor's Request 203895 (ID:16542) Requesting the appointment of Sumayya Essack to the Commission for Women.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

69. Mayor's Request 203896 Requesting the appointment of Holly Fox to the Commission for Women.

(ID:16543) **FOLLOWUP:** 

Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Committee

## COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

**RESULT:** 

70. Officer's
Communication
203897

(ID:16539)

Officer's Assistant City Solicitor submitting a communication from the MA State Communication Lottery Commission re: #203525 re: the Winter Hill Market.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 70 and 71 and

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

71. Officer's
Communication
203898
(ID:16513)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/22/17.

place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

72. 203899

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Casper Mattress Sleep Inn, Cutter Ave Parking Lot, Jul 7-9. 7AM-10:30PM.

(ID:16609)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 72 and 73 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

73. License/Permit 203900 (ID:16610)

Public Event Permit, Refuse Fascism Anti Trump/Pence Rally, Statue Park, Jul 15, 6:30-8:30PM.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

74. License/Permit 203901 (ID:16611)

Public Event Permit, Canopy City Shark Tank Audition, Tyler St, Jul 17, 8AM-8PM.

Alderman Heuston stated that this is for the TV show Shark Tank and it will be held on Tyler Street on July 17, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. The Board expressed concern about the short notice and about safety in that area.

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS. [6 TO 4] RESULT:

AYES: Connolly, McLaughlin, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

NAYS: Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston

ABSENT: Lafuente

**CONDITIONS:** 1. That the Police deploy sufficient personnel to maintain

public safety.

2. That the DPW set up barricades to keep Tyler Street

3. That the applicant pay all Police and DPW costs.

75. License/Permit 203902

(ID:16612)

Public Event Permit, Waldo-Dimick-Marion Neighborways Block Party, Waldo Ave and Dimick St from Calvin to Marion Sts, Jul 22, 7AM-6PM (raindate Jul 23).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 75 through 81 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

76. License/Permit 203903

Public Event Permit, Let's Pretend Tiny Tots Theatre Table, Statue Park, Jul 22, 2-6:30PM.

(ID:16613)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

77. 203904 (ID:16614)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Teen Empowerment Central Library Outdoor Party, Central Library front lawn, Jul 26, 1:30-9PM (raindate Jul 27).

78. License/Permit 203905 (ID:16615)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, 7ate9 Bakery National Cheesecake Day, 199 Highland 203905 Ave, Jul 30, 8AM-5PM.

RESULT: APPROVED

79. License/Permit 203906 (ID:16616)

Public Event Permit, Redbones Pig Plckin Block Party, Chester St from Elm to Herbert Sts, Jul 31, Noon-10PM (raindate Aug 7).

RESULT: APPROVED

80. License/Permit 203907 (ID:16617)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council SomerStreets Seize the Summer, Holland St 203907 from Winter St to Broadway, Aug 6, Noon-8PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. License/Permit 203908 (ID:16618)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Brastow Ave Block Party, Aug 12, Noon-10PM (raindate 203908 Aug 13).

RESULT: APPROVED

82. License/Permit 203909 (ID:16619)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Caldwell Ave/Jan Marie BDay Block Party, Aug 19, 11 203909 AM-Midnite (raindate Aug 20).

Alderman Sullivan stated that the time is incorrect. The correct time will be 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. with clean up by 11:00 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED

**AMENDED:** That the event and all entertainment conclude no later

than 10PM, and that clean-up conclude no later than

11PM.

83. License/Permit 203910 (ID:16620)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Starlab Studios Music and Arts Festival, ArtFarm, Sep 8-203910 10, 9 AM-11PM (raindate Sep 15-17).

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 83 through 92 and approve them, except for item 91 which should be sent to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

84. License/Permit 203911 (ID:16621)

Public Event Permit, Irving St Block Party, Sep 16, 11:30AM-7PM (raindate Sep 17).

RESULT: APPROVED

85. License/Permit 203912

License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, P Gioioso and Sons.

(ID:16622)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

86. License/Permit 203913

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, JF White Contracting.

(ID:16623)

87.		Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Rincon Mexicano, 99 Broadway.		
203914 (ID:16624)		RESULT:	APPROVED	
		Renewing Outdoor Seating License, La Brasa, 124 Broadway.		
203915 (ID:16625)	(ID:16625)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
89. License/Permit 203916 (ID:16626)	Renewing Automa Somerville Ave.	tic Amusement Devices License, Thunder Road, 379		
	(ID:16626)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
90. License/Permit 203917		New Automatic Andevices.	musement Devices License, Lucky Strike, 340 Canal St, 138	
(ID:1662	(ID:16627)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
91. License/Permit 203918		New Billiards and Bowling License, Lucky Strike, 340 Canal St, 5 pool tables, 8 bowling alleys.		
(ID:16628)	RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee		
92.	License/Permit	Sign/Awning Permit, Riverdog, 321 Somerville Ave, 1 sign.		
203919 (ID:16629)	RESULT:	APPROVED		
SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS				
93.				
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
94. Order 203921 (ID:16630)		By Ald. Davis, Ro That the Director of issuing business pa	of Traffic and Parking report to this Board on the policies for	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	APPROVED Traffic and Parking Committee	
95.	. Order By Ald. McWatters 203922 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken sidewalk par (ID:16631) 83 Munroe Street.			
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

96. Order 203923 (ID:16637)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Chief Assessor inform this Board about state laws regarding housing trustees and residential tax exemptions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

97. Order 203924 (ID:16635)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services address the Air BnB facility at 21 Michigan Avenue.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 97 through 106 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

98. Order 203925 (ID:16641)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Chief of Police monitor the corner of Gilman and Walnut Streets after 8 PM on Fridays.

RESULT: APPROVED

99. Order 203926 (ID:16640)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a street cleaning sign at 55 Gilman Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

100. Order 203927 (ID:16639) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a blinking STOP sign at Gilman and Aldrich Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Order 203928 (ID:16638) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees at 29 Aldrich Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

102. Order 203929 (ID:16636) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sinking sewer grate at 11 Florence Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

103. Order 203930 (ID:16601) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sewer cover at Sunnyside Avenue and Wigglesworth Street.

July 13, 2017 104. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203931 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services replace the bait in the bait (ID:16632) box at Virginia and Jasper Streets. **RESULT: APPROVED** 105. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203932 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services address rodent issues along Wesley Street. (ID:16633) **RESULT: APPROVED** 106. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203933 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services address rodent issues near (ID:16634) Florence and Washington Streets. **RESULT: APPROVED** 107. Requesting that the President of this Board make four appointments to the Mayor's Request Minimum Mixed Use Ratio Working Group. 203934 PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** (ID:16643) 108. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor submitting a Home Rule Petition pursuant to #203619 Communication to authorize the City to impose Impact Fees to fund the Green Line Extension. 203935 For discussion of this item, see #202599. (ID:16538) **RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]** 

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

109. Officer's Director of Planning responding to #203217 re: the FRIT Assembly Square Communication development's compliance with the PUD.

203936 (ID:16644) Alderson Collision as a second day and in the

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 109 through 115, placing 109 and 115 on file, approving 110, and sending 111-114 to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

110. License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, McCourt Construction.

203937 (ID:16646)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

111. License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 355 Artisan Way, 203938 storing 570 vehicles.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

112. 203939

License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 445 Artisan Way, storing 140 vehicles.

(ID:16648)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

113. License/Permit 203940

New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 333 Great River Rd, storing 100 vehicles.

(ID:16649)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

203941 (ID:16650)

License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 479 Canal St, storing 220 vehicles.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

**Public** 115. 203942 (ID:16651)

Representative Capuano responding to #203586 re: the Concealed Carry Communication Reciprocity Act of 2017.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### LATE ITEMS

116. Mayor's Request 203758 (ID:16402) Requesting the appointment of Stephen Cafferky to the position of Fire Fighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

117. Mayor's Request 203757 (ID:16401) Requesting the appointment of Troy Saulnier to the position of Fire Fighter.

Discharged from the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Resolution 118. 203943 (ID:16656) By Ald. Heuston

Supporting a request to the MBTA for a change of specification for noise wall composition on either side of the Brickbottom Artists Buildings.

Alderman Heuston explained that the specifications for the noise wall on either side of the Brickbottom Artists Building originally allowed for light to come through the sound wall by having part of it acrylic and part of it cement. What is being currently proposed does not allow as much light as was previously described. Alderman Heuston asked that this Resolution be supported by the Board.

119. Order 203944 (ID:16658) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Director of Communications appear before this Board at its August 24 meeting to explain why residents have been unable to view live broadcasts of recent Board of Aldermen and Committee meetings.

President White is requesting that the Director of Communications appear before the Board to explain why residents are unable to view live broadcasts of meetings because of technical issues.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

120. Order 203945

(ID:16661)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Solicitor appear before the Committee on Traffic and Parking to describe how the Traffic Commission agenda is prepared, and whether this Board can place items on that agenda.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

121. Order 203946 (ID:16662) By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti

That the City Solicitor determine whether this Board can appropriate \$18,000 to the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund pursuant to its June 22, 2017 Order (#203733), in light of the Mayor's \$0 appropriation (Agenda #62).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

122. Order 203947 (ID:16642) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Engineering inspect the 41 Elmwood Street area for continual water and sewage flooding when severe rain storms occur.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

123. Ordinance 203948 (ID:16653)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

Proposing an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map for certain parcels in the Porter Street area.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

124. Order 203949 (ID:16654) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the City Arborist replace the dead tree at 26 Minnesota Avenue if needed.

125. Resolution 203950

By Ald. Davis

203950 (ID:16655) That the Administration review all licenses granted to bfresh, and discuss with this Board any restrictions on trash and recycling disposal and on the timing and location of deliveries.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

126. Order 203951 (ID:16657)

By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 2 Alderman of the impact of new designs for Inman Square traffic on Lincoln Park neighborhoods, including any changes to MBTA service, and post this information as an FAQ on the city's website.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

127. Order 203952 (ID:16659) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the traffic signal at 66 Beacon Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

128. Resolution

By Ald. Heuston

203953 (ID:16660) That the Traffic Commission make Merriam Street a one way street from Somerville Avenue to Charlestown Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

129. License/Permit 203954

Public Event Permit, BA Events Memphis Soul 5K Road Race, Union Sq area,

Aug 13, 7AM-3PM.

(ID:16663)

RESULT: APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

**CONDITION:** Approval contingent on final approval by the Ward

Aldermen, the Chair of the Committee on Licenses and

Permits, and the President.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:30 PM.

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# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

August 24, 2017, 7:00 PM Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Absent
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Absent

1. Roll Call 203955 (ID:16820) Call of the Roll.

Alderman White and the entire Board sponsored a moment of silence for Alderman Ballantyne's mother, Marianne Ballantyne, and Alderman Sullivan's mother, Hanoria Sullivan. Alderman Sullivan sponsored a moment of silence for Martin Biggins Jr. Alderman McWatters sponsored a moment of silence for Maxine Faulkner. Alderman McLaughlin sponsored a moment of silence for Therese Stiles.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 203956 (ID:16821)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, June 22, 2017.

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 203957 (ID:16822)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending the Somerville Youth Softball Tsunami, for finishing as 2017 MiddleEssex Softball League champions in the 12B Division.

Alderman McLaughlin recognized the Somerville Youth Softball Tsunami and presented the team members with Citations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

4. Citation 203958 (ID:16823)

By Ald. Ballantyne, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending the Knight Moves Cafe on the happy occasion of its one-year anniversary of bringing game play to Teele Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 203959 (ID:16826) Submitted by Action Environmental Solutions to install 2 groundwater monitoring wells near 2 Alpine St.

The President opened the public hearing. Action Environmental representative Glen Carlson discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 203960 (ID:16827) Submitted by Comcast to install a manhole and 3 feet of conduit in Webster Ave to a point of pickup at the rear of 70 Prospect St. (Interim approval on 7/19)

The President opened the public hearing. Comcast representative Al Levin discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 203961 (ID:16828) Submitted by Eversource to install 60 feet of conduit in Warwick St from a point of pickup at 20 Warwick St to a point of pickup at 12 Warwick St.

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource representative Jacqueline Duffy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 203962 (ID:16829) Submitted by Eversource to install 8 feet of conduit in Day St from Pole 96/5 to a point of pickup at 37 Day St. (Interim approval on 8/10)

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource representative Jacqueline Duffy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

9. Grant of Location 203963 (ID:16830)

Submitted by Eversource to install 131 feet of conduit in Somerville Ave from Manhole 8646 to a point of pickup at 337 Somerville Ave.

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource representative Jacqueline Duffy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

10. Order 203964 (ID:16683)

By Ald. Rossetti, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne That all future Eversource requests be tabled by this Board until a signed commitment for better communication by Eversource is enacted.

Alderman Rossetti said she has received many emails from constituents regarding work performed by Eversource on Hudson Street. During the summer, the City met with Eversource to address the areas of concern, and agreed to continue meeting weekly. But there were no follow-up meetings. She now requests that all future requests from Eversource be tabled by the Board until a signed commitment for better communication is enacted.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION FOLLOWUP: Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

11. Order 203965 (ID:16681)

By Ald. Rossetti, Davis

That the City Solicitor draft an ordinance for review by this Board related to recreational marijuana.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

12. Resolution 203966 (ID:16682)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis

That the Administration update this Board on the request that the FAA reject any design of the Millennium Tower in Boston that includes 775 feet of height, which would lead to more traffic on Logan Airport's Runway 33L.

Alderman Rossetti requested that the Administration update the Board on the proposed Millennium Tower in Boston, which could direct more air traffic over Somerville by blocking alternative flight paths in and out of Logan.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Order 203967

(ID:16807)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis

That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain, in writing, by September 14, 2017 why residential parking permits are not issued with a renewal date of one year from the last day of the month in which it was purchased, as state inspection stickers are.

Alderman Rossetti asked for an explanation on the parking permit process from the Director of Traffic and Parking.

**APPROVED RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

14. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

203968

Reporting on the High School Building Committee's summer meetings.

(ID:16684)

Alderman Rossetti reported that members of the architectural team were present. The city now has to develop a memorandum of agreement with them. There were concerns about where historic pieces of the building would be stored during construction. The committee also met during the summer to focus on costs. In December, there will be a meeting to inform the public of the upcoming construction.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

15. Order

203969

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking actively enforce traffic regulations on Highland Avenue and Hamlet Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

16. Order

> 203970 (ID:16785)

> (ID:16784)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the city's new policies for utility companies to remove double poles and address low hanging wires.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

17. Order

203971

By Ald. McWatters

(ID:16786)

That the Chief of Police conduct traffic enforcement at various times on Walnut Avenue between Boston Street and Highland Avenue, on Hamlet

Street, and at the corner of Summer and Lowell Streets.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

18. Order 203972 By Ald. McWatters

(ID:16787)

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Chief Fire Engineer perform a safety assessment of the utility pole on Belmont Street across from Bailey Park.

19. Order 203973 By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD consider reinstalling a bump out at the corner of (ID:16788)

Spring Street and Somerville Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

20. Order 203974

(ID:16789)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD plant a tree at 47 Barstow Avenue during the fall planting period.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 203975 (ID:16790)

By Ald. McWatters, Heuston, Ballantyne, Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis, Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD consider making all neighborway locations, safety

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

22. Order 203976 (ID:16791) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels at 16-18 Silvey Place and 18 Spring Hill Terrace.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Resolution 203977 (ID:16793) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Davis, Rossetti, Heuston, Lafuente, White Jr.

In support of bills in the State House and Senate protecting consumers from paying for lost or unaccounted for gas.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

Alderman Niedergang said that lost and leaking gas has been highlighted by Mothers Out Front. In Massachusetts, we are paying \$135 million a year for gas that escapes into the environment from leaky pipes. Twelve other states already have legislation to deal with gas leaks. Alderman Niedergang sponsored Paula Massoli and Debbie New from Mothers Out Front to address the Board. They spoke on behalf of the legislation. If the State can stop the gas leaks, and there are 1,100 of them in Massachusetts, then methane emissions will be cut in half.

24. Ordinance 203978 (ID:16794)

By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Davis

That this Board consider amending Zoning Ordinance 16.10.2, which allows Planned Unit Developments to apply for waivers from new zoning regulations, to specifically exclude waivers from inclusionary affordable housing requirements, and that the City Solicitor provide an opinion to this Board on the legality of this amendment by September 14, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang would like the Board to consider amending Zoning Ordinance 16.10.2 to prevent Planned Unit Developments from applying for waivers from inclusionary affordable housing requirements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

25. Resolution 203979 (ID:16795)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Mayor consider allocating sufficient funding to plant trees in all the locations for which a tree has been requested as of August 24, 2017, clearing out the backlog of tree-planting requests.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

26. Order 203980 (ID:16796) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board why even the top priority recommendations of the Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group have not yet been implemented after almost two years, and consider hiring additional staff to effectively address the affordable housing emergency.

Alderman Niedergang requested an answer on why, after almost two years, the top priority recommendations of the Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group have not been implemented.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

27. Order 203981 (ID:16797) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of SPCD develop a Memorial Bench Program for public parks, the Community Path and other public property, and report back to this Board by October 12, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang received a request from a constituent to place memorial benches in public parks, and would like to develop a formal program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

28. Order 203982 (ID:16798) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Rossetti

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board in writing no later than August 31, 2017 on a timeline for a revised demolition review ordinance following the three community meetings this spring. (2nd request)

29. Resolution 203983 (ID:16799)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti

That the Mayor report to this Board by August 31, 2017 on ways to improve the poor communications from Eversource to residents around gas meter replacement, street construction, and other utility work. (2nd request)

Alderman Niedergang requested improvement in the poor communications from Eversource regarding gas meter replacements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

30. Order 203984 (ID:16800) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board in writing no later than September 14, 2017 on a timeline to establish the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund and a Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development. (2nd request)

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

31. Resolution 203985 (ID:16801)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, and the Entire Board

That this Board opposes the requested electricity rate increase by Eversource and supports Representative Denise Provost's letter of August 3, 2017, and directs the City Clerk to convey this opposition in writing by August 31, 2017 to the MA DPU.

# RESULT: APPROVED

32. Resolution 203986 (ID:16819)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Administration report to this Board on additional steps it will take to deal with the rat problem, including regular communications to residents about proper trash disposal and not leaving food in parks and yards.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

33. Order 203987 (ID:16802) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead trees at 10 Winslow Avenue, 57 and 119 College Avenue and 20 Grove Street.

# RESULT: APPROVED

34. Order 203988 (ID:16803)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Mayor's Legislative Liaison and appropriate city staff attend a meeting of this Board's Public Health and Public Safety Committee to review Airbnb matters before the Committee.

Alderman Connolly stated that Cambridge recently enacted legislation regulating AirBnBs, and the city is working on an ordinance.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

35. Resolution 203989 (ID:16804)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Chairman of the MBTA arrange for the cleaning and landscaping of the bus way from Grove Street to the Davis T-stop at College Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

36. Order 203990 (ID:16805)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works clear the overgrown shrubs and weeds from the wall surrounding the Powderhouse Tower.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order 203991 (ID:16806)

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the City Arborist inspect the trees at 240 Pearl Street and take appropriate actions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

38. Order 203992 (ID:16808) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pothole at 22 Franklin Avenue and remove the excess concrete on the street.

RESULT: APPROVED

39. Order 203993 (ID:16809)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a NO PARKING sign between 129 and 133 Cross Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

40. Order 203994 (ID:16810) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead trees at the Capuano School on Franklin Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

41. Order 203995 (ID:16811)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works install a guardrail at the end of Knowlton Street to prevent damage to the Capuano School's fence, and trim the weeds there as well.

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**RESULT:** APPROVED

42. Order 203996 (ID:16812)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD develop a comprehensive plan to redevelop Cross Street, including lighting, vegetation and traffic calming.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

43. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203997 That the Director of Traffic and Parking ticket cars without permits on Alston (ID:16813) Street after 5PM during the work week. **RESULT: APPROVED** 44. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203998 That the Commissioner of Public Works place a dog waste receptacle at the public garden on Oliver Street by the Capuano School. (ID:16814) **RESULT: APPROVED** 45. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 203999 That the Chief of Police monitor the corner of Myrtle and Washington Streets (ID:16815) for cars entering Myrtle Street illegally. **RESULT: APPROVED** 46. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 204000 That the Chief of Police monitor Tufts Street 5-8PM for speeding vehicles. (ID:16816) **APPROVED RESULT:** 47. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 204001 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead tree at 19 Tufts (ID:16817) Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 48. Order By Ald. Heuston 204002 That the Director of Traffic and Parking designate a Neighborways on Lake (ID:16818) Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 49. Order By Ald. White Jr. 204003 That this Board reappoints John Long to the position of City Clerk for a three-(ID:16831) year term. **RESULT: APPROVED** 

50. Communication By Ald. White Jr. 204004 In his capacity as President, appointing Ald. Niedergang to the Municipal (ID:16781) Building Master Plan Working Group.

Alderman White requested to waive the readings of items 50 through 52 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE 51. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

204005

(ID:16782)

In his capacity as President, appointing himself, Ald. Ballantyne, Wig Zamore, and William Shelton to the Minimum Mixed Use Ratio Working Group.

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

52. Communication By Ald. White Jr.

204006

In his capacity as President, appointing Ald. Heuston to the Clean and Open

(ID:16783) Elections Task Force.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

53. Mayor's Request 203889 (ID:16537) Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$0 to the Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund for the use of Dilboy Field by Somerville non-profit youth football and soccer organizations without charge.

Alderman Rossetti requested that the Administration respond to this Board on this item by the second meeting in October to give their analysis on the study referenced in their letter dated June 2017.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 54. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204007 (ID:16792) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on August 24, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203894 (ID:16541) Requesting the appointment of Mary Wright to the Police Reserve.

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

55. Mayor's Request 204008 (ID:16778) Requesting approval of a Sanitary Sewer Easement Agreement with the City of Cambridge for North Point area development.

Alderman Lafuente requested the approval of this request for a Sanitary Sewer Easement Agreement for the North Point Development. The developer has an agreement that fire service to the building would be provided by Cambridge, not Somerville, because of response times. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Tim Snyder explained that this is a 300 foot easement for an MWRA pipe that will facilitate development at North Point, and allow a commercial building in Somerville. City Engineer Rich Raiche spoke in support, based on his hydraulic modeling with the development team and MWRA. The developer agreed to install a stub connection to the MWRA line, and a slip connector underneath the railroad tracks, for the city's use for potential development at Boynton Yards. Mark Johnson, Director of Development for Divco West, stated that this pipe would be entirely separate from the Somerville sewer system. It will be metered separately, and Cambridge has accepted financial responsibility for the meter, so there will be no financial liability for Somerville.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis

**ABSENT:** Heuston, Ballantyne

56. Mayor's Request 204009 (ID:16779) Requesting approval to enter into net-metering agreements with both ECA Solar and SunWealth.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

57. Mayor's Request 204010 (ID:16192) Requesting approval to extend S & R Corporation's demolition services contract beyond 8/31/17.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57, 59 and 65 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

58. Mayor's Request 204011 (ID:16676) Requesting approval to pay 2 prior year invoices totaling \$900 using available funds in the SPCD Transportation and Infrastructure Ordinary Maintenance Account for facility rentals.

59. Mayor's Request 204012 (ID:16666) Requesting acceptance of a \$100,618.00 grant that requires a match, from FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters program to the Fire Department for replacement of 117 SCBA breathing air cylinders.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

60. Mayor's Request 204013 (ID:16671) Requesting acceptance of a \$71,050 grant with no new match required, from UASI to the Police Department for backfill and overtime for the Special Response Team.

Legislative Liaison Annie Conner explained that this one-time grant will build the Police Department's capacity to respond to emergencies both manmade and natural, and improve on its response to demonstrations. This focuses on community policing, de-escalation and preservation of life.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

61. Mayor's Request 204014 (ID:16780) Requesting acceptance of a \$27,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Public Health to the Police Department to purchase Narcan.

RESULT: APPROVED

62. Mayor's Request 204015 (ID:16667) Requesting acceptance of a \$15,000 grant with no new match required, from the Boston Foundation to the Arts Council to produce the ArtsUnion How to Fix the World festival.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

63. Mayor's Request 204016 (ID:16677) Requesting acceptance of a \$15,000 grant with no new match required, from MA Office of Administration and Finance to the SPCD Housing Division for the Middle Income Housing Community Compact.

Legislative Liaison Annie Connor explained that the grant of \$15,000 will go to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, to assess existing housing stock in current affordable housing programs, analyze best methods to preserve the affordability of middle income housing, explore strategies to reduce development costs, and consider changes in policy. The research is projected to take about one year, and Somerville is the lead on the project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

64. Mayor's Request 204017 (ID:16673) Requesting acceptance of a \$14,042.96 grant with no new match required, from Cambridge Health Alliance to the Health & Human Services Department for public health emergency preparedness planning.

Legislative Liaison Annie Connor explained that these funds will further our emergency preparedness by testing our emergency dispatching sites and updating our inventory of supplies.

65. Mayor's Request 204018 (ID:16775) Requesting acceptance of a \$12,540.45 grant that requires a match, from the Metro Mayors Shannon Initiative to the Police Department for youth violence prevention.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

66. Mayor's Request 204019 (ID:16674) Requesting the appointment of Edna DaCosta to the position of Police Officer.

Edna DaCosta was sworn in as a Police Officer.

RESULT: APPROVED

67. Mayor's Request 204020 (ID:16675) Requesting the appointment of Mary Wright to the position of Police Officer.

Mary Wright was sworn in as a Police Officer.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

68. Mayor's Request 204021 (ID:16776) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Flynn to the Board of Assessors.

Alderman White requested to waive the readings of items 68 through 70 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

69. Mayor's Request 204022 (ID:16668) Requesting the appointment of Margaret Norcross-Devin to the Commission for Women.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

70. Mayor's Request 204023 (ID:16669)

Requesting the appointment of Patricha Paul to the Commission for Women.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

71. Mayor's Request 204024 (ID:16777) Requesting the appointment of a member of this Board or a designee to the Clean and Open Elections Task Force.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

72. Officer's Asst. City Solicitor responding to #203230 re: restricting or pre-selecting Communication financial institutions for city borrowing.

204025 (ID:16679)

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 72 through 75 and place them on file with referrals to appropriate committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

73. Officer's

City Solicitor responding to #203868 re: an ordinance to limit the "holdover" Communication period of officers and boards specified in Ordinance 2-24(c).

204026 (ID:16678)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

> **FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

74. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203946 re: a Board appropriation to the Communication Dilboy Field Enterprise Fund.

204027 (ID:16670)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

75. Officer's 204028

Police Detective reporting on an incident in support of possible revocation of Communication the Used Car Dealer License issued to American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave.

(ID:16824)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

# **NEW BUSINESS**

76. 204029

License/Permit Public Event Permit, City Vigil for Charlottesville, Statue Park, Aug 16, 5-9PM.

(ID:16832)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 76 through 98 and approve them, but lay item 87 on the table. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

77. 204030

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Ignite Global Food and Fire Festival, Union Sq Plaza, Aug 19, 2-11:30PM (raindate Aug 20).

(ID:16752)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

78. 204031 (ID:16753)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Thrift Story Item & Story Collection, Statue Park, Aug 26-27, 10:45AM-2:15PM (raindate Sep 2-3).

79.	204032	Public Event Permit, Lowden Ave Block Party, from Foskett St to Kidder Ave, Aug 26, 1:30-8PM (raindate Aug 27).		
(ID:16754)		RESULT:	APPROVED	
80.	204033	Public Event Permit, FRIT Riverfest, Assembly Row, Sep 8 12-9PM, Sep 9 9AM-10PM, Sep 10 9AM-5PM.		
	(ID:16755)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
81.		Public Event Permit, Fairfax St Block Party, Sep 9, 11AM-7PM.		
	204034 (ID:16756)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
82.	204035	Public Event Permit, Community Preservation Act Walking Tour Celebration, East and Central Somerville, Sep 9, 1-5PM (raindate Sep 10).		
	(ID:16757)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
83.	License/Permit 204036	Public Event Perm 8PM (raindate Sep	it, Arts Council Fixer Fair, Union Sq Plaza, Sep 9, 1:30-16).	
	(ID:16758)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
84.	License/Permit 204037	Public Event Permit, Mystic Block Party, Moreland St from Main St to Mystic Ave, Sep 9, 2-8PM (raindate Sep 10).		
	(ID:16759)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
85.	204038		it, Arts Council Rock and Roll Yard Sale, Union Sq Plaza, (raindate Sep 17).	
	(ID:16760)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
86.	204039	Permit Public Event Permit, Ossipee Rd Block Party, from Curtis St to Packa Sep 10, 3:30-6:30PM (raindate Sep 17).		
	(ID:16761)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
87. License/Permit 204040 (ID:16762)			it, BFresh Meet and Greet, Chester St from Elm St to , 3-9PM (raindate Sep 21).	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	LAID ON THE TABLE Board of Aldermen	
88.	204041	Public Event Perm 16).	it, Gibbens St Block Party, Sep 15, 3-9PM (raindate Sep	
	(ID:16763)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

89.		Public Event Permit, Garden Club Plant Sale, Statue Park, Sep 16, 7AM-1PM.		
	204042 (ID:16764)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
90. License/Permit 204043			t, Prospect Hill Park Picnic, Munroe St from Greenville St ill Ave, Sep 16, 2-8PM (raindate Sep 17).	
	(ID:16765)	<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED	
91.	204044	nit Public Event Permit, Chandler St Block Party, from Park to Chapel 16, 2:30-7PM (raindate Sep 17).		
	(ID:16766)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
92.	204045		t, Arts Council SomerStreets Strike Up the Band, Highland School Sts, Sep 17, 12-8PM.	
	(ID:16767)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
93.	204046		t, Arts Council Fluff Festival, Union Sq and Somerville o Prospect St, Sep 23, 12-9PM (raindate Sep 24).	
	(ID:16769)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
94.	License/Permit 204047	Public Event Permit, Boston Fuzztival 2017, 10 Poplar St ArtFarm, Sep 30, 10AM-11PM.		
	(ID:16770)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
95.	License/Permit 204048	Public Event Permi Plaza, Oct 1, 12-8P	t, Arts Council Evolution of Hip Hop Festival, Union Sq M.	
	(ID:16771)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
96.	204049	Public Event Permit, Women's Commission Candlelight Vigil for Domest Violence, Statue Park, Oct 4, 2-8:30PM.		
	(ID:16772)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
97. License/Permit 204050		Public Event Permit, Lazo and Redd Rehearsal Dinner Block Party, Central Reddead end, Oct 6, 5-9PM.		
	(ID:16773)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
98.	License/Permit 204051 (ID:16774)		t, Arts Council SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up, m Hawkins to Spring Sts, Oct 22, 12-8PM (raindate Oct	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

99.		Renewing Lodging House License, Alpha Tau Omega, 134 Professors Row.		
	204052 (ID:16724)	Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 99 through 138 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  RESULT: APPROVED		
		RESULT. ATTROVED		
100.	204053	Renewing Lodging House License, Delta Upsilon Fraternity, 114 Professors Row.		
	(ID:16723)	RESULT: APPROVED		
101.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Zeta Psi Fraternity, 80 Professors Ave.		
	204054 (ID:16722)	RESULT: APPROVED		
102.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Theta Delta Chi, 123 Packard Ave.		
	204055 (ID:16721)	RESULT: APPROVED		
103.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 56-64 Professors Row.		
	204056 (ID:16720)	RESULT: APPROVED		
104.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 45 Talbot Ave.		
	204057 (ID:16719)	RESULT: APPROVED		
105.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 43 Latin Way.		
	204058 (ID:16718)	RESULT: APPROVED		
106.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 40A-F Latin Way.		
	204059 (ID:16717)	RESULT: APPROVED		
107.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 32 Dearborn Rd.		
	204060 (ID:16716)	RESULT: APPROVED		
108.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 28 Professors Row.		
	204061 (ID:16715)	RESULT: APPROVED		
109.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 14 Professors Row.		
	204062 (ID:16714)	RESULT: APPROVED		

110.	License/Permit 204063	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 100 Talbot Ave.
	(ID:16713)	RESULT: APPROVED
111.	License/Permit	Not used.
	204064 (ID:16712)	RESULT: WITHDRAWN
112.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 45 Sawyer Ave.
	204065 (ID:16711)	RESULT: APPROVED
113.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 9-11 Sunset Rd.
	204066 (ID:16710)	RESULT: APPROVED
114.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Whitfield Rd.
	204067 (ID:16709)	RESULT: APPROVED
115.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 15 Whitfield Rd.
	204068 (ID:16708)	RESULT: APPROVED
116.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 13-15 Talbot Ave.
	204069 (ID:16707)	RESULT: APPROVED
117.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 136 Curtis St.
	204070 (ID:16706)	RESULT: APPROVED
118.		Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 176 Curtis St.
	204071 (ID:16705)	RESULT: APPROVED
119.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 73 Powderhouse Blvd.
	204072 (ID:16704)	RESULT: APPROVED
120.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 75-85 Packard Ave.
	204073 (ID:16703)	RESULT: APPROVED
121.	License/Permit	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 12 Dearborn Rd.
	204074 (ID:16702)	RESULT: APPROVED

122.	License/Permit 204075 (ID:16701)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 37 Sawyer Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
123.	License/Permit 204076 (ID:16700)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 13 Sawyer Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
124.	License/Permit 204077 (ID:16699)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 39R Latin Way.  RESULT: APPROVED
125.	License/Permit 204078 (ID:16698)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 21 Whitfield Rd.  RESULT: APPROVED
126.	License/Permit 204079 (ID:16697)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 29 Latin Way.  RESULT: APPROVED
127.	License/Permit 204080 (ID:16696)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 101 Talbot Ave.  RESULT: APPROVED
128.	License/Permit 204081 (ID:16695)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 90-92-94 Curtis St.  RESULT: APPROVED
129.	License/Permit 204082 (ID:16694)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 8 Professors Row.  RESULT: APPROVED
130.	License/Permit 204083 (ID:16693)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 92 Professors Row.  RESULT: APPROVED
131.	License/Permit 204084 (ID:16692)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 106 Professors Row.  RESULT: APPROVED
132.	License/Permit 204085 (ID:16691)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 17 Latin Way.  RESULT: APPROVED
133.	License/Permit 204086 (ID:16690)	Renewing Lodging House License, Tufts University, 125 Powderhouse Blvd.  RESULT: APPROVED

134.		Renewing Lodging	House License, Tufts University, 98 Packard Ave.
	204087 (ID:16689)	RESULT:	APPROVED
135. License/Per 204088	204088	Renewing Lodging Sawyer Ave.	House License, Walnut Hill Properties Alpha Phi, 14
	(ID:16688)	RESULT:	APPROVED
136.	204089	Renewing Lodging Packard Ave.	House License, Walnut Hill Properties Theta Chi, 100
	(ID:16687)	RESULT:	APPROVED
137.	204090	Renewing Lodging 25 Whitfield Rd.	House License, Walnut Hill Properties Alpha Omicron Pi,
	(ID:16686)	RESULT:	APPROVED
138.	204091	Renewing Lodging Packard Ave.	House License, Walnut Hill Properties Zeta Beta Tau, 126
	(ID:16685)	RESULT:	APPROVED
139. License/Permit 204092		Renewing Taxi Me	dallion License, Alewife Transportation, Med #65,69,80.
	(ID:16725)		n requested to waive the readings of items 139 through 167. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED
140.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Me	dallion License, Bye Bye Cab, Med #86.
	204093 (ID:16726)	RESULT:	APPROVED
141.	204094	Renewing Taxi Me #14,16,44,47,57,58	dallion License, Cinema Taxi, Med ,63,81,84,85.
	(ID:16727)	RESULT:	APPROVED
142.	204095	Renewing Taxi Mee #3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,1	dallion License, Country Club Transportation, Med 2,13,46.
	(ID:16728)	RESULT:	APPROVED
143.	License/Permit 204096	Renewing Taxi Med	dallion License, DLCS Transportation, Med #62.
	(ID:16729)	RESULT:	APPROVED

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144.	144. License/Permit Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Eastern Transportation, Med #73,8 204097		
	(ID:16730)	RESULT:	APPROVED
145.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Elysse Corp, Med #48.
	204098 (ID:16731)	RESULT:	APPROVED
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146.	License/Permit 204099		edallion License, Gardy Inc, Med #19.
	(ID:16732)	RESULT:	APPROVED
147.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, God's Blessing Cab, Med #60.
	204100 (ID:16733)	RESULT:	APPROVED
148.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Green and Yellow Cab TNC of Somerville,
	204101 (ID:16734)	•	,36,37,38,53,54,67,68.
	(ID.10734)	RESULT:	APPROVED
149.		Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Honey Cab, Med #82.
	204102 (ID:16735)	RESULT:	APPROVED
150.	License/Permit	Renewing Tavi M	edallion License, J and J Transportation, Med #74.
204103		RESULT:	APPROVED
	(ID:16736)		
151.	License/Permit 204104	Renewing Taxi Me #21,22,23,24,25,2	edallion License, Lochmere Taxi, Med 6,79,91.
(ID:16737)		RESULT:	APPROVED
152.	Licanca/Parmit	Panawing Tavi M	edallion License, LTK, Med #66.
132.	204105	RESULT:	APPROVED
	(ID:16738)		
153.	License/Permit 204106		edallion License, Madkep Transportation, Med #64.
	(ID:16739)	RESULT:	APPROVED
154.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Michael Cab, Med #88.
	204107 (ID:16740)	RESULT:	APPROVED
155.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi M	edallion License, Mt. Pleasant Taxi, Med
133.	204108	#28,30,31,32,39,4	
(ID:16741)		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED

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168. Public

DCR Commissioner responding to #203388 re: plans for Draw 7 Park.

Communication 204121

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

(ID:16825)

FOLLOWUP: Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

169. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204122 (ID:16835) That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees and replace the

5) plantings at Concord Square.

RESULT: APPROVED

170. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204123 (ID:16836) That the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the intersection of Dimick and Marion Streets for addition STOP signs.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

171. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204124

That the Director of Traffic and Parking establish a loading zone at 223

(ID:16837) Son

Somerville Avenue and extend the hours of the loading zone at 220 Somerville

Avenue from 6PM to 8PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

172. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204125

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the zoning of Boynton Yards.

(ID:16838)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

173. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204126 (ID:16849) That the Director of the Traffic and Parking erect signs at strategic points of entry to the City which state: "Entering a bike community, be aware of cyclists

and bike lanes."

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

174. Resolution

By Ald. Heuston

204127 (ID:16848) That the Traffic Commission create a requirement to notify abutters of pending agenda items which may impact their streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

175. Resolution 204128 (ID:16850)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration convene a meeting to discuss airplane noise, similar to a meeting being held in Cambridge, and include congressional representatives, the state delegation, elected city officials and city staff.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

176. Mayor's Request 204129 (ID:16851) Requesting the appointment of Caitlin Hart to the Historic Preservation Commission.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 176 through 181 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

177. Mayor's Request 204130 (ID:16852) Requesting the appointment of Robin Kelly to the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

178. Mayor's
Request
204131
(ID:16853)

Requesting the appointment of Peter Kaplan as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

179. Mayor's Request 204132 (ID:16854) Requesting the appointment of Dana LeWinter as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission..

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

180. Mayor's Request 204133 (ID:16855) Requesting the appointment of Anthony Grisetto as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

181. Mayor's Request 204134 (ID:16856)

Requesting the appointment of Tyler Thompson as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

182. Officer's Communication v. Somerville.

City Solicitor requesting approval to retain outside counsel for McGrath et al.

204135 (ID:16839)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 182 and refer it to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

183. Officer's 204136 (ID:16859)

Director of Communications responding to #203944 re: recent problems Communication broadcasting this Board's meetings.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 183 and 184 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

184. Officer's

Director of Planning responding to #203605 re: the FRIT Assembly Square Communication modified affordable housing waiver.

204137 (ID:16857)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

185. License/Permit 204138 (ID:16768)

Public Event Permit, Belmont St Block Party, from Spring Hill Terrace to Highland Ave, Sep 17, 12Noon-6:45PM.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 185 through 200 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

186. 204139

License/Permit Public Event Permit, CJD Foundation Strides 5K Walk, Community Path from Seven Hills Park to Cambridge, Oct 14, 7:30AM-1PM (raindate Oct 28).

(ID:16870)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

187. 204140

License/Permit New Drainlayer's License, Keash Excavation.

(ID:16860)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

188. 204141

License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, J Derenzo.

(ID:16861)

189.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Elzira and Luc Inc, Med #6.		
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190.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, My Cab, Med #61.		
	204143 (ID:16841)	RESULT: APPROVED		
191.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Raymy Inc, Med #59.		
	204144 (ID:16842)	RESULT: APPROVED		
192.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Wilvens Cab, Med #18.		
	204145 (ID:16843)	RESULT: APPROVED		
193.		Renewing Taxi Medallion License, 32 Summer St Corp, Med #29.		
	204146 (ID:16844)	RESULT: APPROVED		
194.	License/Permit	Renewing Taxi Medallion License, Bibi's Cab, Med #20.		
	204147 (ID:16845)	RESULT: APPROVED		
195.		Renewing Garage License, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor Pl.		
	204148 (ID:16862)	RESULT: APPROVED		
196.		Renewing Garage License, Chicken and Shakes Automotive, 6 Beach Ave.		
	204149 (ID:16863)	RESULT: APPROVED		
197.	License/Permit	Renewing Garage License, Four Wheels Auto, 83 Albion St.		
	204150 (ID:16864)	RESULT: APPROVED		
198.		Renewing Garage License, Auto Plus, 229 Lowell St.		
	204151 (ID:16865)	RESULT: APPROVED		
199.		Renewing Flammables License, Boston Closet, 229 Lowell St.		
	204152 (ID:16866)	RESULT: APPROVED		
200.	License/Permit	Sign/Awning Permit, Carmel Patisserie, 235A Elm St, 2 signs.		
	204153 (ID:16867)	RESULT: APPROVED		

201. 204154 (ID:16846)

License/Permit New Lodging House License, Delta Tau Delta Foundation, 98 Professors Row, 27 residents.

> Alderman Sullivan stated that this house has become an alcohol-free house. Alderman Rossetti said the Somerville Police would be tracking it closely. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Tim Snyder said they would be required to follow all local, state and federal laws, and that the license could be revoked if there were any violations. Alderman Davis was unsupportive of approving the license.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Committee on Licenses and Permits

202. 204155 (ID:16868)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, NU Cafe and Juice Bar, 195 Washington St, 2 tables, 4 chairs.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 202 through 205 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

203. 204156 (ID:16869)

License/Permit New Outdoor Seating License, Manoa Poke Shop, 296 Beacon St, 1 table, 2 chairs, 1 A-frame sign.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

204. 204157 (ID:16871)

License/Permit New Extended Hours License, Chow N Joy, 626 Somerville Ave, opening Sun-Sat until 1AM for all services, Fri-Sat until 2AM for take out and delivery service only.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

205. 204158 (ID:16872)

License/Permit New Extended Hours License, Red House, 24 Union Sq., opening Sun-Thu until 1:30AM for all services, Fri-Sat until 2AM for take out and delivery service only.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

206. **Public** 204159 (ID:16847)

Property owner of 125 Lowell Somerville LLC submitting a proposed zoning Communication map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell Street, Belmont Street, Summer Street, and Highland Avenue.

> President White requested an opinion on the legality of this request of a property owner to rezone other owners' properties.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

### LATE ITEMS

207. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

204160 (ID:16874) 1

That the Mayor provide to this Board, by October 26, 2017, the analysis he referenced in a communication on June 28, 2017 regarding the costs and uses of Dilboy Field by city nonprofit sports programs.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

208. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204161 (ID:16858) That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the faded "No Parking Anytime" sign above the "No Parking Loading Zone" sign on the east side of Lowell Street, north of Albion Street. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

209. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

204162 (ID:16873) Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session with the Administration to receive updates on all ongoing contract negotiations. (2nd

request)

Alderman Rossetti spoke with the Administration and expects an Executive Session to occur soon.

**RESULT:** APPROVED Board of Aldermen

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:05 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 204163 (ID:16922) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters sponsored a moment of silence for Barry McQuillon. Alderman McLaughlin sponsored a moment of silence for Linden Wint and for veterans who were missing in action and did not return home. Alderman Sullivan sponsored a moment of silence for Joseph DeNucci.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 204164 (ID:16923)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, July 13, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**CITATIONS** 

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

3. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 204165 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels and trim

(ID:16885) the tree at 17 Boston Street.

> RESULT: **APPROVED**

4. Order By Ald. McWatters

> 204166 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 17

(ID:16886) Crocker Street.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

Order 5. By Ald. McWatters

> That the Chief of Police conduct traffic enforcement at various times on Porter 204167

(ID:16887) Street, Vinal Avenue and Atherton Street (between Harvard and Beech

Streets).

**RESULT:** APPROVED

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Davis, and the Entire Board 6. Order

204168 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board by September 28, 2017, the owners and addresses of all properties where Stop (ID:16888)

Work Orders were issued over the past two years, along with the names of the

permit applicants and a list of any fines issued.

Alderman Niedergang, Alderman McLaughlin and Alderman Rossetti spoke about seeing who the offenders are and what can be done to stop them.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

7. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 204169 (ID:16889)

That the Commissioner of Public Works re-evaluate the rush hour traffic light timing at Magoun Square, and whether the Broadway green light for Medford Street is too short, backing up traffic on Medford Street through the Square.

Alderman Niedergang spoke about the long traffic back-ups on Medford Street heading into Magoun Sq.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 204170 That the Commissioner of Public Works post NO DUMPING signs on the

north edge of the CHA's Central Street parking lot to deter illegal dumping on (ID:16890)

the slope leading to the railroad tracks.

9. Order 204171 (ID:16891)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Health and Human Services report to this Board whether smoking tobacco and marijuana is restricted to beyond a 50 foot radius around parks, playgrounds and athletic fields, and, if it is not, work with the City Solicitor's Office to change the regulations to prohibit such smoking on public property within 50 feet of parks, playgrounds and athletic fields.

Alderman Niedergang is concerned that there is nothing in the current ordinances that restricts smoking near parks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

10. Order 204172 (ID:16892)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the use of raptors (hawks, owls, etc.) to control rats and whether they might work here, and on the use of poisons to control rats and whether they also kill raptors.

Alderman Niedergang stated that the rat problem is getting worse and the city should be explore every possible solution.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

11. Order 204173 (ID:16893)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Personnel report to this Board on the racial and ethnic diversity of the Fire and Police Departments, broken down by rank.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

12. Order 204174 (ID:16894)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Davis, and the Entire Board That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, the Director of SPCD, and the City Solicitor meet with a committee of this Board to discuss how to prevent developers from repeatedly violating city ordinances and regulations.

Alderman Niedergang requested the meeting to increase developers' compliance with the city's requirements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. Order 203967 (ID:16807) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis

That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain, in writing, by September 14, 2017 why residential parking permits are not issued with a renewal date of one year from the last day of the month in which it was purchased, as state inspection stickers are.

This item was replaced by #204236, after Alderman Rossetti requested that it be updated to require a response from the Director of Traffic and Parking at the Board's next meeting.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

14. Ordinance 203978 (ID:16794) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Davis

That this Board consider amending Zoning Ordinance 16.10.2, which allows Planned Unit Developments to apply for waivers from new zoning regulations, to specifically exclude waivers from inclusionary affordable housing requirements, and that the City Solicitor provide an opinion to this Board on the legality of this amendment by September 14, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang heard from Assistant Solicitor David Shapiro that he is working on this, and needs to consider any Constitutional implications with the proposed change. He said he would have something ready by the next meeting, September 28, 2017.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

15. 204040 (ID:16762)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, BFresh Meet and Greet, Chester St from Elm St to Herbert St, Sep 14, 3-9PM (raindate Sep 21).

> REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:**

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

16. **Public** 204159

(ID:16847)

Property owner of 125 Lowell Somerville LLC submitting a proposed zoning Communication map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell Street, Belmont Street, Summer Street, and Highland Avenue.

The City Solicitor's Office has not yet responded to this item.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

Board of Aldermen **FOLLOWUP:** 

17. Resolution 204162

By Ald. Rossetti

Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session with the (ID:16873) Administration to receive updates on all ongoing contract negotiations. (2nd request)

> The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:50 PM to discuss matters of collective bargaining, and returned to regular session at 10:10 PM. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 18. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting September 12, 2017.

Report 204175 (ID:16883)

Alderman McLaughlin reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed and approved a 1,600,000 bond for the acquisition of 45 College Avenue. This property could provide a community room in Ward 6, with 5,300 sq. ft. of space. The Committee also approved a request to enter into net metering agreements with both ECA Solar and Sun Wealth, as well as several other financial items.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203887 (ID:16540) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,600,000 in a bond for the acquisition of 45 College Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**APPROVED** 

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

C. Mayor's Request 204009 (ID:16779) Requesting approval to enter into net-metering agreements with both ECA Solar and SunWealth.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**RESULT:** 

D. Mayor's Request 204010 (ID:16192) Requesting approval to extend S & R Corporation's demolition services contract beyond 8/31/17.

E. Mayor's Request 204012

(ID:16666)

Requesting acceptance of a \$100,618.00 grant that requires a match, from FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters program to the Fire Department for replacement of 117 SCBA breathing air cylinders.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 204018 (ID:16775) Requesting acceptance of a \$12,540.45 grant that requires a match, from the Metro Mayors Shannon Initiative to the Police Department for youth violence prevention.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Officer's City Solicitor of Communication v. Somerville.

City Solicitor requesting approval to retain outside counsel for McGrath et al. v. Somerville.

204135 (ID:16839)

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

### 19. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204176 (ID:16882) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on September 6, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting, which was a joint Public Hearing with the Planning Board, for the rezoning of part of the Everett Street--Emerson Street neighborhood to Residence B, and for the rezoning of a portion of the Porter Street neighborhood to Residence A.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 20. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204177 (ID:16881) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on August 31, 2017.

Ald. Rossetti was recused from discussions of #203868 and #203789, which were left in Committee. For these items, Alderman Niedergang reported that the Committee took them up, to amend the ordinances to vacate a board or commission position at the end of the appointee's term, so that no board member would serve under an expired term. This would give the Board the opportunity to periodically review each member's contributions.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the rest of the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed replacing the Tree Advisory Committee with an Urban Forestry Committee, to be staffed by a full-time Arborist and 9 or 11 members. The Committee also discussed the jobs linkage fee for commercial development and a draft Home Rule Petition to eliminate the political party requirement for members of the Licensing Commission. Alderman Heuston and Alderman White suggested expanding the provision to include all Boards and Commissions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 202923 (ID:15634) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Solicitor draft a Home Rule Petition to eliminate the requirement that members of the Licensing Commission be members of any political parties.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 202924 (ID:15635) By Ald. Heuston

That the City Clerk, in consultation with the Administration, review qualifications for all boards and commissions as to whether political party membership is required, and report back to this Board.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's 203303

Asst. City Solicitor responding to #202923 with a draft Home Rule Petition to Communication eliminate the political party requirement for members of the Licensing Commission.

(ID:15959)

This item was replaced by #204186, which was Approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

E. Order 203869 (ID:16590) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board no later than August 1, 2017, with an update on an ordinance to establish the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund and a Jobs Linkage Fee for new commercial development.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

### PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE 21.

A. Committee Report 204178 (ID:16884) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting September 13, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee went on the road and met at Column Health, which is an addiction treatment facility at 401 Highland Avenue. They discussed opioid addiction in the community and treatments available.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

22. Mayor's Request 204179 (ID:16672) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$3,024 using available funds in the Personnel Department Professional and Technical Services Account for Cambridge Health Alliance pre-employment screening.

Ald. Heuston recused.

Legislative Liaison Annie Connor explained that this item pertains to prescreenings done for summer job students.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

23. Mayor's Request 204180 (ID:16878)

Requesting acceptance of a \$347,765 grant with no new match required, from MA DoT to the SPCD Transportation and Infrastructure Division for Complete Streets Construction funding.

Alderman Heuston explained that this is a grant with no match. It reimburses specific costs such as street resurfacing and Neighborways pavement markings for traffic calming. SPCD Director Mike Glavin said it's part of a multi-year grant, and the city will be eligible for reimbursements up to \$1.6 million over four years. The grant program allows the city to recapture funds that have been bonded for street projects, with no match required.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee 24. Mayor's Request 204181 (ID:16880) Requesting the transfer of \$34,685 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to the Police Department -Crossing Guards Account, to fund the collective bargaining agreement with the SEIU/Local 888 Crossing Guard Unit.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

25. Mayor's Request 204182 (ID:16879)

Requesting acceptance of a \$1,500 grant with no new match required, from CHNA 17 to the Health and Human Services Department for Trauma Response Network training.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

26. Mayor's Request 204183 (ID:16875) Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for DesignLab Architects for the West Branch Library renovation.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 26 through 28 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: **Finance Committee** 

27. Mayor's Request 204184 (ID:16876)

Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for Design Technique Inc. for the West Branch Library renovation.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

28. Mayor's 204185

Conveying the GLX Memorandum of Agreement and the Drainage Facilities Communication Interconnection Agreement.

(ID:16895)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **Finance Committee FOLLOWUP:** 

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

29. Officer's 204186 (ID:16877)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202923 with a revised Home Rule Communication Petition to eliminate the political party requirement for Election Commissioners and Licensing Commissioners.

For discussion of this item, see #203303.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

Lafuente ABSENT:

30. Officer's

Community Preservation Committee responding to #203735 re: prioritizing Communication affordable housing funds for municipal workforce housing.

204187 (ID:16921)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

31. Officer's Communication 204188 (ID:16652)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 7/13/17.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 31 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

32. 204189

(ID:16896)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Movie Nights in the Park, Chuckie Harris Park, Aug 25 and Sep 15, 5-11PM (raindate Sep 16).

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 32 through 56 and approve them, except for item 46 should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

33. 204190 (ID:16897)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Revolutionary Clinics Job Fair, 67 Broadway, Sep 7 and

14, 10:30AM-4:30PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 34. 204191

Public Event Permit, Kingston St Block Party, 35-48 Kingston St, Sep 9, 4-10PM (raindate Sep 16).

(ID:16898)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

35. License/Permit 204192

Public Event Permit, Glenwood Rd Block Party, from Medford to Vernon Sts, Sep 16, 11AM-8:30PM (raindate Sep 17).

(ID:16899)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

36. License/Permit 204193

Public Event Permit, Oxford St Block Party, from School St to Trull Lane, Sep 16, Noon-10PM (raindate Sep 17).

(ID:16900)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

37. License/Permit 204194 (ID:16901)

Public Event Permit, Josephine Ave Block Party, from Kidder to Morrison Aves, Sep 16, 2-9PM (raindate Oct 1).

RESULT:

**APPROVED** 

38. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Holyoke Rd Block Party, from 9 to 31 Holyoke Rd, Sep 204195 16, 3-7PM (raindate Sep 23). (ID:16902) **RESULT:** APPROVED 39. License/Permit Public Event Permit, First Church Somerville Block Party, Francesca Ave 204196 adjacent to the church, Sep 17, Noon-6PM. (ID:16903) **RESULT: APPROVED** 40. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Thorndike St Block Party, all of ThorndikeSt, Sep 23, 2-204197 8PM (raindate Sep 30). (ID:16904) **RESULT: APPROVED** 41. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council MUM at ArtFarm, 10 Poplar St ArtFarm, 204198 Sep 23, 5PM-2AM (raindate Sep 24). (ID:16905) **RESULT: APPROVED** 42. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Democratic City Committee Picnic, Powderhouse Park, 204199 Sep 24, 11AM-4PM. (ID:16906) **RESULT: APPROVED** 43. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Highland Rd Block Party, from Morrison to Kidder Aves, Sep 24, 2-8:30PM (raindate Oct 1). 204200 (ID:16907) **RESULT:** APPROVED 44. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Hudson St Block Party, from Waldo to Central Sts, Sep 204201 29, 2-7:30PM (raindate Oct 1). (ID:16908) **RESULT: APPROVED** 45. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Redbones Oktoberfest, Chester St from Elm to Herbert 204202 Sts, Oct 1, 7AM-7PM (raindate Oct 15). (ID:16909) **RESULT:** APPROVED 46. License/Permit Public Event Permit, Dreamland Silent Disco, Statue Park, Oct 5,19, Nov 204203 2,16,30, Dec 14, 7-11:45PM. (ID:16910)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Licenses and Permits Committee

**RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** 

47.	License/Permit 204204 (ID:16911)	Public Event Permit, HONK! Festival, Oct 6, 2-9:30PM: Hodgkin's Park and area sidewalks; Oct 7, 10AM-10PM: Davis Sq area; Oct 8, 10AM-2PM: Davis Sq area, Elm St to Beech St, Beech St.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
48.	License/Permit 204205 (ID:16912)	Public Event Permit, HONK! Festival Musicians Only Dinner Party, 10 Poplar St ArtFarm, Oct 7 and 8, 4PM-2AM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
49.	License/Permit 204206 (ID:16913)	Public Event Permit, Taza Chocolate Day of the Dead Block Party, Windsor Pl, Oct 28, 9AM-6PM (raindate Oct 29).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
50.	License/Permit 204207 (ID:16914)	Public Event Permit, Lexington Ave Halloween Block Party, all of Lexington Ave, Oct 31, 5-10PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
51.	License/Permit 204208 (ID:16915)	Public Event Permit, Boston International Kids Film Festival, Statue Park, Nov 4, 11:30AM-4:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
52.	License/Permit 204209 (ID:16916)	Public Event Permit, Team Chase 5K Road Race, East Somerville area, Nov 5, 8AM-3PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
53.	License/Permit 204210 (ID:16917)	Renewing Drainlayer's License, D'Allessandro Corp.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
54.	License/Permit 204211 (ID:16918)	Renewing Garag	e License, Junior Auto Body, 486R Columbia St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
55.	License/Permit 204212 (ID:16919)	Renewing Garag	e License, Franny's Autobody, 109 Prospect St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
56.	License/Permit 204213 (ID:16920)	Sign/Awning Permit, Chang Express Travel, 192 Broadway, 1 sign.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

57. Citation By Ald. Connolly, the Entire Board and the Mayor 204214 Commending Barry Crimmins, recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award (ID:16948) at the 2017 Boston Comedy Festival.

> RESULT: **APPROVED**

58. Citation By Ald. Connolly, the Entire Board and the Mayor 204215 Commending Robert Kelly, recipient of Comedian of the Year Award at the 2017 Boston Comedy Festival. (ID:16949)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

59. Order By Ald. Davis 204216

That Director of Traffic and Parking install 20 MPH Safety Zone signage, including a "speed alert" sign and other traffic calming measures on College (ID:16924)

Avenue between Powderhouse and Davis Squares.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

60. Order By Ald. Heuston 204217 That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk on Dane Street.

(ID:16925) **RESULT:** APPROVED

61. By Ald. Heuston Order 204218 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the electric light box from the

tree stump at 360 Somerville Avenue and then level the stump. (ID:16926)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

62. By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti, McWatters Resolution

204219 That the Administration submit a funding proposal for a Priority Streets

contract to address sidewalk panels that need replacement. (ID:16927)

RESULT: **APPROVED** 

> **FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

63. Order By Ald. Heuston 204220 That the Water Director clean all of the catch basins on Somerville Avenue.

(ID:16928) **RESULT: APPROVED** 

> **FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

64. Order 204221

(ID:16929)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the Linden and Merriam Street neighborhoods for rodent problems and report back to this Board on findings and actions taken.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

65. Order 204222 (ID:16930)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken street light at Joy and Washington Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

66. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204223 (ID:16931) That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the broken tree limb at the intersection of Dimick Street and Concord Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

67. Order 204224 (ID:16932)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the MBTA clean the debris from the commuter rail tracks, from Porter to Union Squares.

RESULT: APPROVED

68. Resolution 204225 (ID:16933)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

Supporting the passage of the Dream Act of 2017.

Alderman White spoke about the federal government's rescission of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, and the importance of supporting the Dream Act of 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

69. Order 204226 (ID:16934)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the parking lot at Chester Avenue and Cross Street for rodent activity and issue fines if appropriate.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

70. Order 204227 (ID:16935)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the city arborist address the dying trees in front of the General Insulation Building on Cross Street East.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

71. Order 204228

(ID:16936)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace the speed signs on Florence Street with 20 MPH signs.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

72. Mayor's Request 204229 (ID:16946)

Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance extending the time period in which the Medical Marijuana Overlay District remains in effect.

Also referred to the Planning Board.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

73. Mayor's Request 204230

Requesting the appointment of Lena Webb to the Traffic Commission.

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Committee

74. Officer's

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203876, requesting an opinion on Communication #203709, which recommended the use of Area Standard Contractors.

204231 (ID:16950)

(ID:16951)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

75. Officer's 204232

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #203708, a Zoning Communication Amendment to re-zone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

(ID:16944)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

76. Officer's 204233

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #203948, a Zoning Communication Amendment to re-zone parcels in the Porter Street area to Residence A.

(ID:16945)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT: FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

77. 204234

(ID:16938)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Somerville Overcoming Addiction Vigil, East Somerville Community School Pearl Street playground, Oct 7, 5-8:30PM (raindate Oct 14).

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

78. Public 204235

US Senator Markey responding to #203701 re: moving federal spending from Communication the military to infrastructure, social, and environmental needs.

(ID:16937)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### LATE ITEMS

79. Order 204236 (ID:16960)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis

That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain to this Board in writing by September 26, 2017 why residential parking permits are not issued with a renewal date of one year from the last day of the month it was purchased, and appear before this Board on September 28, 2017 to discuss this matter.

For discussion of this item, see #203967.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

80. Ordinance

By Ald. Heuston

203708 Requesting the adoption of an amendment of the Zoning Ordinance map to re-(ID:16422) zone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

Discharged from the Committee on Land Use.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

81. License/Permit 204154 (ID:16846)

License/Permit New Lodging House License, Delta Tau Delta Foundation, 98 Professors Row, 204154 27 residents.

Discharged from the Committee on Licenses and Permits.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

82. Resolution 204237 (ID:16954)

By Ald. Rossetti, White Jr., and the Entire Board

That this Board supports, and encourages our State Delegation to support, H3803 (An Act to Amend the MassPort CAC Enabling Act), to better manage community impacts from Logan Airport and other MassPort operations.

RESULT: APPROVED

83. Order 204238 (ID:16955)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the City Solicitor draft an amendment to the ordinance regarding construction, so that rodent eradication is required on all construction, not just demolition.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

84. Order 204239 (ID:16956)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect Chester Avenue, MacArthur Street, Knowlton Street and Lincoln Street for signs of rodent activity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

85. Resolution 204240 (ID:16957)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang

That the Administration update this Board on a process to notify utilities in advance when streets will be opened, so gas leaks can be addressed, including the date and location of notifications that have been provided in the past year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:10 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call 204241 (ID:17007) Call of the Roll.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 204242 (ID:17008)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 24, 2017.

**APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

#### **CITATIONS**

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 204243 (ID:17014) Submitted by AT&T to install 124 feet of conduit from Winchester Street at the Medford line to existing Verizon Manhole #44/331 near 620 Broadway.

The President opened the public hearing. TC Systems (an affiliate of AT&T) representative Adam Hiller discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

4. Withdrawn 204244 (ID:17015)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

5. Grant of Location 204245 (ID:17016) Submitted by Eversource to install 5 feet of conduit in Murdock Street, from Pole #246/5 to a point of pickup at 39 Murdock Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource Energy representative Jacqueline Duffy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 204246 (ID:17017) Submitted by Eversource to install 2,006 feet of ductile steel pipe and conduit beneath Mystic Avenue, from Middlesex Avenue southeasterly to Alfred Lombardi Way.

The President opened the public hearing. Eversource Energy representative AnnMarie Walsh with Eversource Energy discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

7. Order 204247

(ID:16968)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police petition the City of Cambridge to change Clarendon Avenue to a one way street, so it continues in the same direction from Somerville to Massachusetts Avenue.

Alderman Ballantyne stated that on Clarendon Avenue problems are being caused by the GPS apps used in cars. Drivers are paying attention to their apps and not the signage on the street. They're driving up Clarendon Avenue from Mass Ave towards Teele Square, although it's clearly a one-way street from Teele Square all the way to the Cambridge line.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order 204248 (ID:16969)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the sewers near 41 Simpson Street for rats.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

9. Order 204249 (ID:16970)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the sewers on Corinthian Street for rats.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

10. Order 204250 (ID:16971)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of SPCD make Morrison Avenue between Cedar Street and Willow Avenue a 20 MPH speed zone, as Lexington Park and the Community Path entrance nearby.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

11. Order 204251 (ID:16972)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD and the City Engineer consider adding a crosswalk as part of the redevelopment of Cedar Street at Warwick or Clyde Streets, and include the Bicycle Advisory Committee in any discussions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

12. Order 204252 (ID:16973)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chief of Police assign officers to conduct traffic enforcement of bicyclists during the morning rush hour at the Cedar Street Community Path crossing, and include the Bicycle Advisory Committee in any discussions.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

13. Order 204253 (ID:16974)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD consider adding some sort of signal or barrier to cause bicyclists to slow or stop at the Community Path intersections with Cedar Street and Willow Avenue, and include the Bicycle Advisory Committee in any discussions.

Alderman Niedergang has received several complaints regarding bicyclists riding through the Community Path intersections with Willow Ave and Cedar St. He would like to see traffic enforcement there. Alderman Heuston requested that the Bicycle Advisory Committee be included in discussions. Alderman Davis said that a barrier would create a safety issue for bicyclists.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

14. Order 204254 (ID:16975)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chief of Police increase traffic enforcement of bicyclists in the fall and mid- to late-spring, when bicycle traffic is at its peak.

Alderman Niedergang said there needs to be increased bicycle traffic enforcement. There have been many pedestrians injured by bicyclists. Alderman Davis stated that whenever limited traffic enforcement resources are directed towards bikes, not cars, the city's streets become less safe.

RESULT: APPROVED. [9 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

NAYS: Davis
ABSENT: Lafuente

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

15. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

204255 (ID:16976) Reporting on the first meeting of the Capital Projects Master Plan Working Group.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The task of this group is to identify the best uses for City Hall, the High School's 1895 building, the Cummings and Edgerly Schools, the Recreation Building, the City Hall Annex, and the Tufts Administration Building. The group received several draft documents, and no decisions have been made. Alderman Davis asked if there was any discussion of selling buildings. Alderman Niedergang responded that this was one of the major reasons to convene this group, and the Director of Capital Projects hopes that the group will have recommendations to the Mayor in time for next spring's budget discussions. The President asked that the draft documents be uploaded as a part of this report.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

16. Order

By Ald. McWatters

204256 (ID:16977) That the Chief of Police conduct traffic enforcement on Atherton Street at Harvard Street to enforce the left turn prohibition onto Atherton Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

17. Order 204257 (ID:16978)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD consider installing a rotary at Munroe Street and Prospect Hill Avenue and schedule a neighborhood meeting with Prospect Hill residents and the Ward 3 Alderman to discuss this measure.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

18. Resolution

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

204258 (ID:16979) That the Administration and Director of SPCD consider increasing the number of safety zones throughout the city.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

19. Order 204259

By Ald. McWatters

**RESULT:** 

That the Director of SPCD place a radar feedback sign on Vinal Avenue.

(ID:16980)

APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

20. Order 204260 (ID:16981) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD add Belmont Street, Warren Avenue and Barstow Avenue to the fall tree planting list.

RESULT: APPROVED

21. Resolution 204261 (ID:16982)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang,

Rossetti, Heuston, White Jr.

That the Mayor and the State Delegation promote drug courts in Somerville to address the continued opioid epidemic.

Alderman McLaughlin and Alderman Connolly requested the State Delegation promote a separate court for drug use so these people are not treated the same as violent criminals and are shown different pathways for recovery.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

22. Order 204262 (ID:16983)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the potholes at 16 and 24 Cross Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

23. Order 204263 (ID:16984) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works request that the appropriate utility company address the low hanging wires on Mt. Vernon and Washington Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Order 204264 (ID:16985) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the gap in the fence on the Pearl Street side of the East Somerville Community School.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

25. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

204265 (ID:16986)

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair street light M1169 on McGrath Highway.

RESULT: APPROVED

26. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

204266 (ID:16987) That the Commissioner of Public Works street sweep Franklin Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

27. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

204267 (ID:16988)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place blinking SLOW - CHILDREN signs on the Cross Street side of the East Somerville Community School.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

28. Order

By Ald. McLaughlin

204268 (ID:16989) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services address the Airbnb at 3

Everett Avenue.

RESULT: A

APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Publ

Public Health and Public Safety Committee

29. Order 204269 (ID:16990) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services form a task force to address

AirBnB apartments.

Alderman McLaughlin said that Inspectional Services is working on this issue but a task force would really be able to focus on policy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

30. Order 204270 (ID:16991) By Ald. Connolly, McWatters

That the Chief of Police and Director of Communications solicit the locations of closed circuit TV cameras in business and residential locations on a voluntary basis, to aid crime solving efforts.

Alderman Connolly wanted the Police to request the voluntary assistance of private closed-circuit camera owners to assist in solving crimes. Alderman Niedergang was opposed, saying it infringes on the rights of the people who are in the films. Alderman McWatters suggested that the City Solicitor look at it before the Board goes forward. Alderman Heuston expressed concern as well.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
FOLLOWUP: Public Health and Public Safety Committee

31. Order By Ald. Connolly, Davis, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

204271

(ID:16992)

(ID:16993)

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the roadway on the eastbound

lane of College Avenue at Ciampa Manor.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. Order 204272 By Ald. Connolly, Davis, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead trees on the odd side

of College Avenue between Morrison and Hall Avenues.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

33. Ordinance By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin, Davis

203978 (ID:16794) That this Board consider amending Zoning Ordinance 16.10.2, which allows Planned Unit Developments to apply for waivers from new zoning regulations,

to specifically exclude waivers from inclusionary affordable housing requirements, and that the City Solicitor provide an opinion to this Board on

the legality of this amendment by September 14, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang said he received communication from Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro that this ordinance would not be legal.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

34. **Public** 204159

(ID:16847)

Property owner of 125 Lowell Somerville LLC submitting a proposed zoning Communication map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell Street, Belmont Street, Summer Street, and Highland Avenue.

> The President expressed his concern that this proposaal could set a precedent, so he referred the matter to the Land Use Committee to explore it further before bringing in the Planning Board for any public hearings.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee 35. Order 204236 (ID:16960)

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis That the Director of Traffic and Parking explain to this Board in writing by September 26, 2017 why residential parking permits are not issued with a renewal date of one year from the last day of the month it was purchased, and appear before this Board on September 28, 2017 to discuss this matter.

Director of Traffic and Parking Suzanne Rinfret said the intention of the permit parking program is to protect the well being of our neighborhoods and ensure residents are more likely to find parking within a reasonable distance of their home. The city has increased the variety of permit options offered to residents and guests, put more information online, and decreased waiting times in the department. Currently, Parking Control Officers can quickly identify most vehicles by the number and color of the permit. Without a system to cluster large groups of permits with similar colors and numbers, PCOs would have to inspect every vehicle, reducing their productivity. Alderman Rossetti brought forward concerns of constituents regarding the permit process. One said he totaled his car and had to get a new permit in March, though his normal renewal month was August. In March he had to pay the full fee, and he had to go back in August and pay it again. Other constituents had similar stories, Alderman Rossetti said, and she suggested pro-rating the permits. The Board approved a Resolution that the Traffic Commission consider pro-rating fees for residential permits (see #204336).

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 36. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204273 (ID:16996) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on September 28, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee approved a number of appointments and reappointments. The Committee approved the confirmation of John DeLuca as Director of Water and Sewer with the stipulation that he come back to the Board in four to six weeks and present his plans for day to day management of that department. Alderman Rossetti asked if it is possible to appointment someone to a conditional position, for six months or so. Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro stated his reappointment would come back before the Board in January.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203462 (ID:16169) Requesting the confirmation of John DeLuca as Director of Water & Sewer.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 203574 (ID:16232) Requesting the appointment of Jordan A. Smith to the Design Review Committee.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 203672 (ID:16363) Requesting the reappointment of Robert Racicot to the Housing Authority.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 203673 (ID:16385)

Requesting the appointment of Victor A. Silva to the Condominium Review Board.

RESULT: APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 204129 (ID:16851) Requesting the appointment of Caitlin Hart to the Historic Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 204130 (ID:16852) Requesting the appointment of Robin Kelly to the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 204132 (ID:16854) Requesting the appointment of Dana LeWinter as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission..

**RESULT:** APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 204133 (ID:16855) Requesting the appointment of Anthony Grisetto as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

J. Mayor's Request 204134 (ID:16856) Requesting the appointment of Tyler Thompson as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 204230 (ID:16951) Requesting the appointment of Lena Webb to the Traffic Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

L. Order 204274 (ID:17069) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Water and Sewer appear before this Board's Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters in six weeks to present a plan for vendor contracts, constituent communications and the day to day operation of the department.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

## 37. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204275 (ID:16994) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on September 25, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the process for school playground and school area improvements. The Administration will introduce a Small Grants Planning Program as part of the CPA funding cycle, for schools that want to improve their school yards. The West Somerville Neighborhood School and Brown School improvements will move forward, and the Kennedy School will be eligible for a Planning grant. The Committee also discussed Work Force Development and asked for quarterly progress reports. The Committee talked about plans for Assembly Square, Gilman Square, Lowell Street, Winter Hill, etc. Finally, while there were a number of affordable housing items on the agenda, Housing Director Michael Felony could not attend but will, with Planning Director Michael Glavin, prepare a written response on the Administration's activities promoting affordable housing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution 203877 (ID:16536) By Ald. Lafuente

That the Administration provide a written response on the process for school playground and school area improvements.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203996 (ID:16812) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD develop a comprehensive plan to redevelop Cross Street, including lighting, vegetation and traffic calming.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## 38. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204276 (ID:16995) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on September 27, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There were 4 new garage licenses and one new billiards and bowling license requested for Assembly Row, and there were public hearings held on all of them. There was a police report saying someone had been cheated by a used car dealer at 682 Mystic Avenue, American Auto Gallery. The Committee decided to schedule a show cause hearing as to why that license shouldn't be revoked. City Clerk John Long said the business is now closed. The Committee also discussed a public event application for Statue Park by Dreamland Silent Disco, in which participants would wear headphones and dance. It would be alcohol free. The Committee had concerns about the use of public space purely for profit, and it was left in Committee until the concerns are addressed.

RESULT: APPROVED

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Big Belly Deli, 513 Medford St, В. 203577 remaining open Mon-Sat to 2 AM for seating, take-out and delivery. (ID:16284) **RESULT: APPROVED** C. License/Permit New Hawker Peddler License, Felsuma LLC, selling adhesive products in 203781 Davis Sq. (ID:16480) **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE D. License/Permit New Garage License, Hillside Service Center, 45 Mystic Ave, 5 vehicles inside, 10 outside. 203786 (ID:16481) **RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED **AMENDED:** That the license be Approved for 10 vehicles inside, 13 outside. E. License/Permit New Billiards and Bowling License, Lucky Strike, 340 Canal St, 5 pool tables, 203918 8 bowling alleys. (ID:16628) **RESULT: APPROVED** F. License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 355 Artisan Way, 203938 storing 570 vehicles. (ID:16647) **RESULT: APPROVED** G. License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 445 Artisan Way, 203939 storing 140 vehicles. (ID:16648) **APPROVED RESULT:** H. License/Permit New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 333 Great River Rd, 203940 storing 100 vehicles. (ID:16649) **APPROVED** RESULT: I. New Garage License, Federal Realty Investment Trust, 479 Canal St, storing License/Permit 220 vehicles. 203941 (ID:16650) **RESULT: APPROVED** J. License/Permit Public Event Permit, BFresh Meet and Greet, Chester St from Elm St to 204040 Herbert St, Sep 14, 3-9PM (raindate Sep 21). (ID:16762)

PLACED ON FILE

**RESULT:** 

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

39. Mayor's Request 204277 (ID:17002) Requesting to convene in Executive Session to convey additional information relative to #204162, a request to receive updates on all ongoing contract negotiations.

The Board recessed for Executive Session at 9:25 PM, and reconvened at 9:55 PM. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

40. Mayor's Request 204278 (ID:16947) Requesting the replacement of Ordinance 7-28 with a new Demolition Review Ordinance, with relevant updates to Ordinance 1-11 for violations.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

41. Mayor's Request 204279 (ID:16962) Requesting authorization to issue refunding bonds in order to reduce interest costs.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 41 through 46 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 204280 (ID:16965) Requesting approval to create the 0 Elmwood Stabilization Fund Account and accept a payment to the Fund of \$25,000 from 27 Eaton Street LLC for streetscape improvements.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 204281 (ID:17009) Requesting approval to pay 11 prior years invoices totaling \$2,419.57 using available funds in the Information Technology Leased Photocopier Account to pay monthly lease costs for leased photocopiers.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

44. Mayor's Request 204282 (ID:17010) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$289.70 using available funds in the Information Technology Internet Maintenance Account for a monthly payment of the Traffic & Parking internet circuit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 204283 (ID:16967) Requesting acceptance of a \$21,509 grant with no new match required, from the Urban Areas Security Initiative to the Police Department for the procurement of gunshot detection and location services.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 204284 (ID:16963)

Requesting acceptance of a \$3,750 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Public Safety to the Police Department for pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's

Communication 204285 (ID:17005)

Conveying a Host Community Agreement with Eversource.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Licenses and Permits Committee FOLLOWUP:

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

48. Officer's 204286 (ID:17006)

City Solicitor requesting the approval of Brody, Hardoon, Perkins & Kesten as Communication outside counsel to represent the School Committee in Doe v Romanos & School Committee.

> Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro requested approval of the law firm Brody, Hardoon, Perkins and Kesten as outside counsel. Mr. Shapiro stated they had been used before with great success and are experienced in the civil rights field. Their hourly rate is \$250 per hour.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

49. Officer's

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to #204236 re: the term of Communication residential parking permits.

204287 (ID:17004)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 49 through 51 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

50. Officer's Communication 204288

**RESULT:** 

PLACED ON FILE

(ID:16952)

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

51. Officer's Communication 204289 (ID:16953)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/14/17.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/24/17.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

52. 204290

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Hudson St Block Party, from Waldo to Central Sts, Sep 30, 2-7:30PM (replacing the previously-scheduled event on Sep 29).

(ID:17018)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 56 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. License/Permit 204291

(ID:17019)

Public Event Permit, East Somerville Main Streets Halloween Block Party, Chuckie Harris Park, Oct 28, 2-6:30PM (raindate Oct 29).

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

54. License/Permit 204292

New Drainlayer's License, Tascon Corp.

(ID:17020)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

55. License/Permit 204293 (ID:17021)

Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Medallion #15 from Yung Cab to Yolande Trans.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

56. 204294

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 2 License, Valente Enterprise, 154 Glen St, no vehicles onsite.

(ID:17022)

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

57. Public 204295

Trevor Martin submitting comments re: #203577, an application for an Communication Extended Operating Hours license for Big Belly Deli, 513 Medford St.

(ID:17013)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the reading of item 57 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

58. Public Communication Sq.

Renee Scott and Rob Buchanan submitting comments re: new parks in Union

204296 (ID:17012)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 58 and 59 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

59. **Public** 204297

Tori Antonino submitting comments re: the composition of the committee that Communication reviews proposals for Prospect Hill Park landscape design services.

(ID:17011)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

60. Citation By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor

204298 Commending Ben Echevarria, who was recently included in El Planeta's (ID:17054) Powermeter 100 as one of the 100 most influential people for the Hispanic

community.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

61. Order By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly

> That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board's Committee on Housing 204299 and Community Development to discuss plans to connect the Inner Belt with (ID:16998) North Point and the substance of any discussions with the City of Cambridge.

> > Ald. McLaughlin recused.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

62. Order By Ald. Rossetti, Davis, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

204300 That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Communications review the (ID:16999) attached email regarding better communication to residents for items before

the Planning and Zoning Boards, and report back to this Board by October 23.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

63. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204301

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the city's Assessment of Fair Housing recently completed for HUD, and explain what the city is doing to (ID:17024)

advance fair housing and combat housing discrimination.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Housing and Community Development Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

64. Order By Ald. McLaughlin, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

204302 That the Director of the Council on Aging work with residents of 240 Pearl

(ID:17026) Street to dispose of large trash items.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

65. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

204303 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect and bait for rats (ID:17027) around 240 Pearl Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

> **FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

66. Order 204304

By Ald. Heuston

204304 (ID:17028) That the Chief of Police order directed patrols to monitor traffic in Union Square and the intersection of Webster Avenue and Prospect Street, especially traffic that blocks the box and traffic that crosses over private property to get from the Newton Street extension to Prospect Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

67. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204305 (ID:17029) That the Chief of Police enforce traffic regulations on Webster Avenue and Norfolk Street for businesses that are located there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

68. Order 204306 (ID:17030)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD contact the MBTA to confirm changes to Bus Route #91, then report back to this Board why they were made and how they will be communicated to residents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

69. Order 204307 (ID:17031)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD report to the MBTA the variation of routes drivers use for the #91 and #86 buses, and inquire as to the permanent routes the drivers should be using.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

70. Order 204308 (ID:17032)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD commission a transportation study of the Union Square area to determine the current state of traffic, then present the findings at a community meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

71. Order 204309 (ID:17033)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD provide streetscape changes, such as painted crosswalks, at points on the Webster Avenue bridge to facilitate pedestrian crossings in that area.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

72. Order By Ald. Heuston 204310

That the Commissioner of Public Works place additional street lighting at the (ID:17034)

intersection of Webster Avenue and Newton Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

73. Order By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the street light at Joy and 204311

(ID:17035) Washington Streets.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

74. Order By Ald. Heuston

> That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees on Webster Avenue to 204312

(ID:17036) prevent signs and signals from being blocked.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

75. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 204313 That the Director of Traffic and Parking install signs to limit parking at the

corners of Oak and Prospect Streets. (ID:17037)

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

76. Order By Ald. Heuston

204314 That the Director of Traffic and Parking replace all faded street signs on Oak

(ID:17038) Street.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

77. Order By Ald. Heuston

204315

That the Director of Traffic and Parking restrict cut through traffic on Durham Street from Beacon Street, allowing access to abutters only from 7-9AM and 4-(ID:17039)

7PM, Monday through Friday.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

78. Order By Ald. Heuston

204316

That the Director of Traffic and Parking increase parking enforcement in Ward (ID:17040) 2, specifically at Oak, Houghton, Harrison, Tremont and Norfolk Streets.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 79. Order 204317 (ID:17041)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider installing a crossing signal across Calvin Street at Washington Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

80. Order 204318 (ID:17042) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the crosswalk at Dane and Tyler Streets. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

81. Order 204319 (ID:17043) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Traffic and Parking place a temporary speed monitor on Webster Avenue at the entrance to Somerville.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

82. Order 204320 (ID:17044) By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services update this Board on the backlog of electrical inspections, the staff shortage related to it, and the plan to address it.

Alderman Heuston has been trying to help a Montessori School to open, and found that the School was #83 on a list of 85 clients for an electrical inspection. The inspection was needed before they could open. She was concerned that Inspectional Services doesn't have sufficient staff. Alderman Davis concurred, saying many businesses are delayed in opening due to inspections.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

83. Resolution 204321 (ID:17045)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration create a Pedestrian Safety Committee. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

84. Order 204322 (ID:17046)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Finance and the Director of SPCD report on the financial and planning progress in the planned neighborhoods referenced in #203563.

Alderman Ballantyne again requested reports on progress in the planned neighborhoods.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

85. Order 204323 (ID:17047)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Traffic and Parking, and the Commissioner of Public Works suggest additional measures to slow the speeding traffic at the crosswalk in front of the West Somerville Neighborhood School.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

86. Order 204324 (ID:17048)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Heuston, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the potential acquisition of Merriam Street/Charlestown Street Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

87. Order 204325 (ID:17049)

By Ald. Connolly

That Director of Prevention Services brief this Board's Public Health and Public Safety Committee on the impacts of medical marijuana regulations and recreational marijuana sales likely to occur here.

Alderman Connolly asked the Director of Prevention Services to brief the Board on medical marijuana regulations and recreational regulations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

88. Mayor's Request 204326 (ID:16966) Requesting approval to appropriate \$112,770.34 from the USQ Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 88 and 89 and refer them to the appropriate Committees. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

89. Mayor's Request 204327 (ID:17023) Requesting the appointment of Cristina Kennedy to the Conservation Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

90. Mayor's Request 204328 (ID:17052) Requesting to brief this Board on the Union Square District Improvement Financing strategy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

91. Mayor's Conveying the Nexus Study Report on Housing and Jobs Linkage.

Communication 204329 (ID:16964)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

92. Officer's Communication 204330 (ID:17053)

Assistant City Solicitor providing a legal opinion regarding #203978, a proposal to amend the zoning ordinances to prohibit applications in a PUD for waivers from inclusionary affordable housing requirements,

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 92 through 97 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

93. Officer's Communication 204331 (ID:17001)

Assistant City Solicitor providing a legal opinion regarding #204159, a proposal by a property owner to amend the zoning map for certain parcels, including one owned by that owner.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

94. Officer's

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the Communication 6/22/17 meeting.

204332 (ID:16997)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

95. Officer's

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the Communication 7/13/17 meeting.

204333 (ID:17003)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

96. Officer's Communication 8/24/17 meeting.

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the

204334 (ID:17000)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

97. Officer's Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/28/17.

204335 (ID:17050) **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

#### LATE ITEMS

98. Resolution

By Ald. Rossetti

204336 (ID:17066)

(ID:17056)

(ID:17058)

That the Traffic Commission discuss, at its October meeting, revising the rules for the renewal of residential parking permits and consider fee proration for periods less than a full year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

99. Order 204337

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the dumpster at Hagen Manor on Washington Street and follow up as necessary.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

100. Order 204338

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait Kingman Road for rodents, cite violations contributing to the problem, distribute informational door knockers, and provide feedback to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Order 204339

By Ald. Heuston

204339 That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the tree stump on Webster (ID:17059) Avenue and explain why stumps are left in the ground after tree removals, and what plans exist to remove them.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

102. Order

By Ald. Davis

204340 (ID:17060) That the Commissioner of Public Works add additional sweeping services to the Community Path between Buena Vista Road and the Cambridge line.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

103. Order

By Ald. Davis

204341 (ID:17061) That the Director of Traffic and Parking re-paint the crosswalk markings in Davis Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

104. Order 204342 (ID:17062) By Ald. Davis

That the Chief of Police increase primary enforcement of texting and device use while driving.

Alderman Davis said that texting while driving is a hazard to everyone.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

105. Order By Ald. Davis

204343 That the Chief of Police increase enforcement of, and education about, loading

(ID:17063) zones in Davis Square.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

106. Order By Ald. Davis

That the Administration advise the Ward 6 Alderman of any conditions that

(ID:17064) apply to permits for amplified music in Statue Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

107. Order By Ald. Davis

204345 That the Administration review the traffic and pedestrian signals at the Powder

(ID:17065) House Rotary and propose changes to better address traffic flow and pedestrian

safety.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

108. Resolution By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

204346 That the Mayor convene the Minimum Mixed Use Ratio Working Group as

(ID:17057) soon as reasonably possible.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

109. Resolution By Ald. McWatters

**RESULT:** 

That the Administration place Trull Lane on the re-paving list.

APPROVED

(ID:17067)

110. Order By Ald. Heuston
204348 That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking review the

(ID:17068) traffic signal for left turns from Somerville Avenue onto Dane Street for safety

concerns during rush hour.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:55 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 204349 (ID:17129) Call of the Roll.

Alderman White and the entire Board held a moment of silence for Officer Louis Remigio. Police Chief David Fallon delivered a brief eulogy, and the Board payed tribute to his outstanding career of service.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 204350 (ID:17130)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 14, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Grant of Location 204351 (ID:17132) Submitted by Eversource to install 7 feet of conduit in Summer St, from Pole 325/4 to a point of pickup at Nunziato Field.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

4. Grant of Location 204352 (ID:17133)

Submitted by Eversource to install 320 feet of conduit in Lowell and Woodbine Sts, from Pole 215/24 on Lowell St to a point of pickup on Woodbine St at the rear of 231 Lowell St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

5. Order By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

204353 (ID:17073) That the Director of SPCD advise the Ward 6 and 7 Aldermen when the tree that was requested 6 years ago will be planted at 80 Bay State Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

6. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204354 (ID:17084) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the removed tree stump at 6 Barton Street with a tree.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

7. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204355 (ID:17085) That the Commissioner of Public Works and the city's landscape architects maintain the 30-foot slide at the North Street Veterans Park, check the entire structure for safety, and inform the Ward 7 Alderman of the slide's warranty.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

8. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204356 (ID:17086) That the Commissioner of Public Works remove, replace or cover the rib iron sticking out of the lamppost base at the pedestrian crosswalk on Alewife Brook Parkway at the Clarendon Hill North Street Housing Development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Order 204357 (ID:17087)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken sidewalk panels at 1323 Broadway.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Order 204358 (ID:17091) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the dead tree on Grove Street next to Kenney Park.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Order 204359 (ID:17108)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, Davis, White Jr.
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the severely uplifted sidewalk panel at the corner of Winslow Avenue and Grove Street.

## **RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Order 204360 (ID:17092)

By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Davis That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Chief of Police enforce the NO VEHICLE PARKING regulation on the sidewalks on Winter Street.

#### **RESULT:** APPROVED

13. Order 204361 (ID:17090)

By Ald. Heuston, Connolly, and the Entire Board

That MA DOT, Newport Construction and all other parties with knowledge of the cutting down of trees on Beacon Street on October 6, without any public notice, appear before this Board at its next regular meeting to respond to concerns about the surprise tree removal.

Alderman Heuston described the shock and anger of the Beacon Street neighborhood. Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Tim Snyder said the Administration shares the anger of the Board and the community. The contract on Beacon Street is administered by the State. The contractor approved a sub-contractor to cut the trees down, without the approval of Mass DOT or the City. The contractor communicates regularly with the City about upcoming work, and had told the City that there was no more work to be done in that portion of the corridor for the remainder of the season. Because no work was scheduled, there was no City presence in the area. Community representative Lumina Gerschfield-Cordova spoke about the loss of the trees, said the community wants to have mature trees planted in their place by a professional arborist, and announced a vigil at 5 PM on Sunday to mourn their loss.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order 204362 (ID:17096)

By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD work with Mass DOT to cease all work on the Beacon Street reconstruction project until a full report on the removal of trees from the street is received and presented to this Board and until city staff is assigned day to day responsibility for oversight.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

15. Resolution 204363 (ID:17094)

By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

The Administration assign or hire city staff to oversee the daily operations of contractor and utility company activity for the Beacon Street reconstruction project, and adopt a policy of such oversight for every state funded street reconstruction project going forward.

Alderman Heuston said the city needs to have staff on-site for State projects, to insure that work is done properly.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

16. Order 204364 (ID:17093)

By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the City Solicitor and the Director of SPCD submit to this Board, amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance with criteria for removal and notification to add safeguards for street reconstruction projects.

Alderman Heuston said that the ordinance about the removal of trees needs to be strengthened, to apply to street reconstruction projects.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

17. Order 204365 (ID:17095)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD estimate for this Board the cost to move overhead wires underground on Beacon Street from Washington to Hampshire Streets, identify potential funding sources, and discuss the feasibility and impact of such an endeavor on the current Beacon Street project.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

18. Order 204366 (ID:17097)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation instruct the contractor for the Lincoln Park reconstruction to put up tarps or mesh shields to protect residents of Fremont and Parker Streets from dirt blowing into their houses during construction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

19. Order 204367

(ID:17099)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation report back to this Board whether chain link fencing was represented in the original plans for Lincoln Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

20. Order 204368 (ID:17100) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation report back to this Board on whether the intensity of the excavation at Lincoln Park was factored into construction plans, and what steps will be taken to evaluate its impact on properties abutting the park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

21. Order 204369 (ID:17098) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation and the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the crosswalk area from Joseph Street to Lincoln Parkway and make necessary accommodations to allow the sidewalk to be used for children walking to the Argenziano School.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

22. Order 204370 (ID:17101)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Water and Sewer inform this Board whether it is protocol to notify residents of excessive water usage on their property, the means by which that is done, and the recourse residents have if they were not notified.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

23. Order 204371 (ID:17102) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Water and Sewer explain to this Board any customer service offered to residents who question their water bills.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Resolution 204372 (ID:17103)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration work with the State Delegation to provide sound barriers along I-93 to help with air and noise pollution.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

25. Order 204373 (ID:17104)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the low hanging wires on Webster Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

26. Order 204374

(ID:17105)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the pothole at 20 Webster Street.

RESULT: APPROVED

27. Order 204375 (ID:17106)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of Water and Sewer clean the sewers on Everett Avenue,

Wigglesworth Street and Bonair Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

28. Resolution 204376 (ID:17107)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Traffic Commission place a temporary speed bump on Wigglesworth Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

29. Order 204377 (ID:17109) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, and the Entire Board That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor appear at this Board's November 9, 2017 meeting to discuss why developers have gotten building permits without meeting pre-conditions specified in zoning decisions, how the City can more effectively monitor projects for compliance with zoning conditions and other requirements, and what fines and penalties can be levied to deter future violations.

Alderman Niedergang said that recently a developer was granted a building permit even though 8 of the conditions in the zoning approval had not been met, including some very basic ones, like a drainage study. He said the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and City Solicitor should come before the Board to answer questions from the Board on the first meeting in November.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

30. Withdrawn 204378 (ID:17110)

Withdrawn.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

31. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204379 (ID:17111) That the Commissioner of Public Works reattach the two missing orange bollards on the east side of the Lowell Street bridge at the Community Path ramp, and replace the broken yellow bollard on the east side of Cedar Street at the Community Path.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

32. Order 204380 (ID:17112) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the broken street light in

Junction Park.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

33. Order 204381

(ID:17113)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the City arborist report to the Ward 5 Alderman on the status of the tree at 48 Holyoke Road.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

34. Order 204382 (ID:17114) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking evaluate the new crosswalk signal at Mystic Avenue and Temple Street for safety and timing issues and report back

to this Board.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

35. Order 204383 (ID:17115) By Ald. Sullivan, Davis, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking repaint the NO CYCLING sidewalk

stencil in Davis Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

36. Order 204384 (ID:17116) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 23 Otis Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

37. Order 204385 (ID:17117) By Ald. Sullivan, Davis, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Traffic and Parking enforce the no parking on sidewalks regulation and install NO PARKING ON SIDEWALKS signs on Winter St.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 38. Order By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol to monitor traffic on Walnut (ID:17118)

Street from Munroe Street to Highland Avenue, Monday through Friday at

various times.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

39. Order By Ald. McWatters

204387 That the Chief of Police continue to provide directed patrols on Atherton and (ID:17119) Harvard Streets to prevent motorists from taking an illegal left turn onto

Atherton Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

40. Order By Ald. McWatters

204388 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk panels on the odd

(ID:17120) side of Highland Avenue from Walnut Street to School Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

41. Order By Ald. McWatters

204389 That the Director of SPCD consider planting trees on Somerville Avenue from

(ID:17122) Lowell Street to Central Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

42. Order By Ald. McWatters

204390 That the Director of SPCD and the Tree Warden provide any new data to this

(ID:17123) Board indicating if any city trees are dying from gas leaks.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

43. Order By Ald. McWatters

204391 That the Director of SPCD consider making Kimball Street and Ibbettson

(ID:17124) Street safety zones.

RESULT: APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

44. Order By Ald. McWatters

204392 That the Director of SPCD consider allowing a representative and/or resident (ID:17121) from Prospect Hill to be involved in the selection of a Landscape Architect for

the renovation of Prospect Hill Park.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

45. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

204393 (ID:17088)

Report of the High School Building Committee meeting of October 2, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported that the committee is waiting for the MA Historic Commission's update of the approval of the project. She said the city has updated project's website. The project will go before the Zoning Board on October 18. The modular classrooms will be put in place on December 26. Parking spots will drop from 245 to 184. School Staff will lose 12 spaces. City Hall staff will lose 49 spaces (from 80 to 31).

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

46. Order 204324 (ID:17048)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Heuston, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the potential acquisition of Merriam Street/Charlestown Street Park.

Alderman Ballantyne received an update from the Administration. The land is owned by the MBTA. It will be used for staging for the Green Line Extension, and may remain with the MBTA after its completion.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 47. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204394 (ID:17083) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on October 11, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The committee approved a transfer of \$34,000 to fund the Crossing Guards collective bargaining agreement. Also passed was an authorization to issue refunding bonds in order reduce interest costs. The Mayor also discussed the Union Square District Improvement Financing strategy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 204181 (ID:16880) Requesting the transfer of \$34,685 from the Salary Contingency Salaries Account to the Police Department -Crossing Guards Account, to fund the collective bargaining agreement with the SEIU/Local 888 Crossing Guard Unit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 204279 (ID:16962) Requesting authorization to issue refunding bonds in order to reduce interest costs.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

### 48. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204395

(ID:17082)

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 5, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. First the committee voted to reestablish the Tree Advisory Committee, to be staffed by the full time Arborist with expanded membership and scope. Also discussed was the Nexus study and how it relates to housing and jobs linkage.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution 201753 (ID:14409)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne, McWatters

That the Mayor re-establish the Tree Advisory Committee, to be staffed by the full-time Arborist, expand its membership to 9 or 11 members, and broaden the scope of the Committee's duties.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203059 (ID:15754) By Ald. Ballantyne, McWatters, Niedergang, Sullivan

That the City Solicitor submit updated language to expand the Tree Advisory Committee ordinance.

For the approved Ordinance see #204404.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Mayor's Communication

Conveying the Nexus Study Report on Housing and Jobs Linkage.

Communication 204329 (ID:16964)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### 49. OPEN SPACE, ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204396 (ID:17080) Report of the Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, meeting on October 3, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The committee spoke about trees, lights, fields and recycling efforts at schools.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

203832 (ID:16544) That the Director of Sustainability and Environment update this Board on the Somerville Forward Community Meeting held on June 26, 2017.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203858 (ID:16575)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD replace the unhealthy trees on Somerville Avenue from Porter Square to Union Square, determine why so many are unhealthy, and advise whether the replacement costs can be recouped from the Mass Highway Project.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Resolution 203979

(ID:16795)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Mayor consider allocating sufficient funding to plant trees in all the locations for which a tree has been requested as of August 24, 2017, clearing out the backlog of tree-planting requests.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Public Communication

DCR Commissioner responding to #203388 re: plans for Draw 7 Park.

Communication 204121 (ID:16825)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# 50. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204397 (ID:17081) Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on October 4, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The committee completed work on 27 items and kept 19 in committee.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Resolution

By Ald. Sullivan

201410 (ID:14064) That the Administration submit a Home Rule Petition relative to allowing Special Police Officers to serve up to age 70.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

201988 (ID:14668) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 33-35 Barton Street weekly for continual overgrowth onto the public sidewalk.

That the Commissioner of Public Works request of the commuter rail operator

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 202341 (ID:15047) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

that the trash behind 104 Gilman Street be removed.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution 202617

(ID:15349)

By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That the Administration advocate for sound barriers along I-93 in East

Somerville to help reduce air pollution by up to 50 percent.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 202733 (ID:15439)

By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti, Connolly, McLaughlin

That the appropriate department head request that the commuter rail operator address some early morning noise issues.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 202865 (ID:15562) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services take steps to revoke all licenses held by the Winter Hill Market at 269 Broadway.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 202901 (ID:15592) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Communications send a CTY call to residents during a water main break in addition to knocking door to door.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

I. Order 202930 (ID:15641) By Ald. Davis

That the City Solicitor advise the Ward 6 Alderman on whether the city's noise ordinance can be enforced against waste companies that empty dumpsters overnight and in the early morning.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution 203075 (ID:15879)

By Ald. McLaughlin, Davis, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. That the Administration work with Mass DOT to add Somerville to the state list for sound barriers along I-93.

#### WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:**

K. Officer's Communication 3/23/17 meeting. 203106

Director of Traffic and Parking responding to Board Orders approved at the

(ID:15764)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

L. Order 203229 (ID:15934) By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Chief of Police, the Chief Fire Engineer and Administration appear at the next meeting of this Board's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety to detail public safety plans for the Porchfest event on 5/13/17.

#### WORK COMPLETED RESULT:

M. Order 203231 (ID:15936) By Ald. Sullivan, McWatters, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr.

That the Director of Inspectional Services inspect the construction site at Highland Avenue and Thorpe Street to ensure that proper rodent control

measures are in place.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

N. Order 203248 (ID:15937) By Ald. Rossetti, McLaughlin

That the City Solicitor and Director of Inspectional Services review The Chicken & Rice Guys' license for the number of trucks allowed and the idling time allowed, and advise this Board of the findings.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

O. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin

203249

That the Traffic Commission consider prohibiting truck access on Knowlton

(ID:15938) Street by Tufts Street.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

P. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

203260 (ID:15970) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services continue to fine the owner(s)

of the abandoned Cobble Hill Plaza for neglecting the property.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

Q. **Public**  District Attorney responding to #196432 re: the investigation of the murder of

Communication Deanna Cremin.

203355 (ID:16002)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

R. Order By Ald. Rossetti, and the Entire Board

203369 (ID:16072) That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with this Board's

Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, the need for additional AEDs

in our community.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

S. Order By Ald. Heuston

203481 (ID:16185) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor provide a written summary of actions taken and planned to address 20 Adrian Street

and its use as an AirBnB.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

T. Order By Ald. Heuston

203482 (ID:16186) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor provide a written summary of actions taken and planned to address the blighted

property at 32 Webster Avenue.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

U. Order 203489 By Ald. Heuston

(ID:16218)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 20 and 22 Durham Street for all code violations, including an abandoned vehicle, extensive overgrowth, a decayed building facade, and uninhabited units, and advise, with the City Solicitor, the potential of whether the city can force the owner to fix the property, and whether the city should begin the process of having a receiver appointed for the property.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

V. Order 203512

(ID:16224)

By Ald. Niedergang, White Jr.

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the condition of 17 Ashland Street, and advise, with the City Solicitor, whether the city can force the owner to fix the property, and whether the city should begin the process of having a receiver appointed for the property.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

W. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203482 re: 32 Webster Avenue.

Communication 203526 (ID:16190)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

X. Officer's Communication Rice Guys food trucks.

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203248 re: issues with the Chicken &

203527 (ID:16196)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Y. Officer's

Superintendent of Inspectional Services and Assistant City Solicitor Communication responding to #203481 re: 20 Adrian Street.

203675 (ID:16334)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Z. Order 203719 (ID:16441) By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 3 and Ward 5 aldermen if the developer of 31 Porter Street violated any laws by doing work without permits and if any landscape regulations were violated with the defoliation of the property.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AA. Order By Ald. Rossetti

203739 (ID:16521)

That the Director of Health and Human Services report in writing to this Board by October 1, 2017 on the progress of supportive efforts with our community's non-profits to address substance abuse.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AB. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203489 re: 20 and 22 Durham St.

Communication 203760 (ID:16456)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AC. Officer's Communication

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203512 re: 17 Ashland St.

203761 (ID:16455)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AD. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

203836 (ID:16585)

The Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 33 Teele Avenue for yard trash.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED AE. Order

203860 (ID:16577) By Ald. Heuston

The Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the Beacon Street Star Market for health code violations and for the source of odors reported by neighbors, and report the findings to the Ward 2 Alderman.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AF. Order

204398 (ID:17125) By Ald. McLaughlin

**FOLLOWUP:** 

That the Director of the Arts Council and the Chiefs of the Police and Fire Departments meet next February to plan for the 2018 Porchfest event.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

51. Mayor's Request 204399 (ID:17127) Requesting the adoption of an amendment to Zoning Ordinance Article 15 to establish a Project Mitigation Fee for Job Creation and Retention.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

52. Mayor's Request 204400 (ID:17128) Requesting the adoption of an amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 15.5 to update the Project Mitigation Contribution for Affordable Housing.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Land Use Committee

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

53. Mayor's Request 204401 (ID:16939) Requesting the re-appointment of Jessica Palacios Yamakawa to the Community Preservation Committee.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 53 and approve it. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

54. Mayor's Request 204402 (ID:16943) Requesting the appointment of Jane Carbone to the Community Preservation Committee.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 54 and refer to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

55. Mayor's

Communication 204403 (ID:17131)

Conveying the Executive Policy on Surveillance Technology.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the reading of item 55 and place it on file with a copy to the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety for follow-up. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

56. Officer's 204404

(ID:17126)

Assistant City Solicitor responding to #203059 re: a revised ordinance Communication regarding the Tree Advisory Committee as recommended by the Legislative Matters Committee on 10/5/17.

For discussion of this item, see #203059.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Lafuente

57. Officer's

Superintendent of Inspectional Services responding to #204168 re: stop work Communication orders issued over the last 2 years.

204405 (ID:17051)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 60, place them on file, and refer them to committees as appropriate. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

58. Officer's 204406

Director of Health and Human Services responding to #203739 re: efforts to Communication address substance abuse.

(ID:17079)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

59. Officer's Communication information.

Director of Personnel responding to #204173 re: Police and Fire diversity

204407

(ID:17089)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

60. Officer's 204408

Director of Transportation and Infrastructure and Community Preservation Act Communication Manager responding to #203877 re: prioritizing school grounds improvements.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE (ID:17134)

# **NEW BUSINESS**

61.	204409	Public Event Perm Poplar St, Oct 26,	nit, Somerville Open Studios Kickoff Party, ArtFarm at 10 5:30-10:30PM.	
	(ID:17135)		an requested to waive the readings of items 61 through 70 m. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  APPROVED	
62.	License/Permit 204410 (ID:17136)	Public Event Perm Oct 29, 3-8PM (ra	iit, Moms of Camberville Halloween Party, Nunziato Field, indate Nov 4).	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
63.	License/Permit 204411 (ID:17055)	Public Event Permit, Ten Hills Road Halloween Block Party, from Cresthill Rd to Shore Dr, Oct 31, 5-8PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
64.	License/Permit 204412 (ID:17137)	Public Event Permit, Jason Dedrick Run 4 a Cure, Davis Sq area, Nov 4, 10AM-12:30PM.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
65.	License/Permit 204413 (ID:17138)	Public Event Permit, Wayside World AIDS Day Free HIV Tests, Statue Park, Nov 11, 11AM-5PM (raindate Nov 12).		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit 204414 (ID:17140)	New Drainlayer's I	License, C McGue Landscape Construction and Excavating.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.	License/Permit 204415 (ID:17139)	Renewing Extende	ed Operating Hours License, Target, 180 Somerville Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.	License/Permit 204416 (ID:17143)	Sign/Awning Permit, Samara Yoga, 249 Elm St, 1 blade sign.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.	License/Permit 204417 (ID:17141)	New Junk Dealer, Broadway Cell Phone and Services, 1206 Broadway, buying and selling used cell phones and accessories.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	

**APPROVED** 

**RESULT:** 

70. 204418

(ID:17142)

License/Permit New Used Car Dealer Class 1, Herb Chambers Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, 161 Linwood St, 10 vehicles inside, 30 outside, Sun 10AM-6PM. Mon-Sat 7AM-9PM.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

71. Public 204419 (ID:17144)

Renee Scott submitting comments re: #203059, the Tree Advisory Committee Communication ordinance, #203365, the native species ordinance, and #203881, the dark sky ordinance.

> Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 71 through 75 and place them on file, with referrals to committees as appropriate. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

72. Public 204420 (ID:17145)

Lee Erica Palmer submitting comments re: #203059, the Tree Advisory Communication Committee ordinance, #203365, the native species ordinance, and #203881, the dark sky ordinance.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

73. Public 204421

Janine Fay submitting comments re: #203059, the Tree Advisory Committee Communication ordinance, #203365, the native species ordinance, and #203881, the dark sky ordinance.

(ID:17146)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

74. **Public** Communication ordinance.

Alan Bingham submitting comments re: #204278, the Demolition Review

204422

(ID:17147)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

75. Public Chris Dwan submitting comments re: the October 6 Beacon Street tree Communication removal.

204423

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE (ID:17148)

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

76. By Ald. Niedergang Order

> 204424 That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services bait the sewers on Hall Street.

(ID:17149)

**RESULT: APPROVED**  77. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204425 That the Arborist inspect the trees at 19 and 21 Hall Street and report to the (ID:17150)

Ward 5 Alderman on pruning them.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

78. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 204426 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk around 21 Hall

(ID:17151) Street.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED

79. Order By Ald. Niedergang

> 204427 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the driveway damage next to

(ID:17152) the sidewalk at 21 Hall Street caused by work on the fire hydrant there.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

80. Order By Ald. Rossetti, Niedergang, McLaughlin, McWatters

That the City Solicitor submit a draft amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 204428 16.10.2, assuring no future option of a waiver from inclusionary affordable (ID:17155)

housing requirements.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

81. Resolution By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

204429

Supporting State House Bill H2898, An Act Supporting Working Parents Who Choose to Run for Public Office, and urging its passage by the State (ID:17157)

Legislature.

President White feels this is a very important bill, for to make it easier for working parents to run for office.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

82. Order By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan

That the Director of Traffic and Parking review the intersection of School 204430

Street and Medford Street to determine whether traffic flow can be improved. (ID:17156)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

83. Order By Ald. Heuston

> 204431 That the Director of Traffic and Parking remove or restrict parking at the

(ID:17158) intersection of Hammond Street and Concord Avenue.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 84. Order

204432 (ID:17159) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Chief of Police monitor Curtis Street for vehicles making illegal left turns at the end of Ossipee Road.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

85. Order

204433

(ID:17160)

(ID:17161)

By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Traffic and Parking suggest signage to restrict vehicles from traveling the wrong way on Curtis Street from Ossipee Road to Fairmount Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

86. Resolution 204434

By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang

That the Administration provide this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy with an analysis of the attached

communication regarding LED street lights.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

87. Order

204435 (ID:17162) By Ald. Ballantyne

That Director of Sustainability and Environment provide this Board with periodic updates on the Somerville Forward initiatives.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

88. Order 204436 (ID:17163)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis, Niedergang

That the Director of Sustainability and Environment arrange a meeting with this Board's Special Committee on Open Space, Environment and Energy, members of the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the Administration, and the Commissioner of Public Works, to plan recycling efforts in the Public Schools.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

89. Mayor's Request 204437 (ID:17167) Requesting approval of the proposed Union Square District Improvement Financing Development District.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 89 through 93 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

90. Mayor's Request 204438 (ID:17154) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$63,000,000 in a bond for Somerville Avenue streetscape and utility improvements.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

91. Mayor's Request 204439 (ID:17070)

Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the CPA Fund's Open Space Reserve and Undesignated Fund Balance Accounts for the acquisition of 5 Palmer Ave.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

92. Mayor's Request 204440 (ID:17166)

Requesting a supplemental appropriation of \$14,200 to the Executive Administration Professional Services Account to fund a reception honoring fallen Police Officer Louis Remigio.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

93. Mayor's Request 204441 (ID:17153)

Requesting acceptance of a \$1,703,572 grant that requires a match, from HUD to the SPCD Housing Division for its lead abatement program.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

94. Mayor's Communication 204442 (ID:17164)

Conveying appointments to the Minimum Mixed Use Ratio Working Group.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

95. Officer's 204443

Director of SPCD requesting to brief this Board on the Clarendon Hills Communication redevelopment proposal.

(ID:17165)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 95 through 98 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

96. Officer's

Director of SPCD responding to #204324 re: the potential Merriam Communication Street/Charlestown Street Park.

204444 (ID:17168)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

97. Officer's Communication 204445

(ID:17074)

City Engineer submitting responding to #203496 re: Pitman Street pavement.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

98. Officer's City En Communication Street.

City Engineer responding to #203947 re: recurring flooding on Elmwood

204446 (ID:17077)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

LATE ITEMS

99. Resolution E

By Ald. McWatters

204447 (ID:17172) That the Administration provide the Ward 3 Alderman with a specific parking plan for the high school project with information on offsite parking sites.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

100. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

204448 (ID:17170) That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the asphalt at 23 Ames Street with concrete before the winter moratorium.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

101. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204449 (ID:17173) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the 12-14 Marion

Street area for evidence of rodent activity, and bait sewers there.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

102. Public Ben Mo. Communication permits.

Ben Morelli submitting comments re: #204336, prorating residential parking

204450

(ID:17171)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

103. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

204451

Conveying the School Department's Security Camera Policy to this Board's

(ID:17175) Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.

RESULT: PL

PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** 

Public Health and Public Safety Committee

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:30 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 204452 (ID:17222) Call of the Roll.

Alderman Ballantyne sponsored a moment of silence for Kevin Raymond. Alderman Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Blondjy Bonnet. Alderman Connolly sponsored a moment of silence for Neil O'Neill. Alderman Sullivan sponsored a moment of silence for Daniel Foley, Richard Carroll and Carol Ann Tsoukalas. Alderman Heuston sponsored a moment of silence for Kelly Lee Susi and Allan Brown. Aldermen McLaughlin, White and Niedergang sponsored a moment of silence for Ralph Hergert. Alderman White sponsored a moment of silence for John Craig.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 204453 (ID:17223)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 28, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 204454 (ID:17224)

By Ald. the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Mary Caruso, on the happy occasion of her 85th birthday.

Alderman Sullivan moved to table the item until the Caruso family could be in attendance. With no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

4. Citation 204455 (ID:17225)

By Ald. McWatters, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Anna Ciccariello Sherwood on the happy occasion of her retirement from the city after 27 years of dedicated public service.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

5. Grant of Location 204456 (ID:17226) Submitted by Eversource to relocate Pole 325-68 at 343 Summer St 15 feet to the east, and to install 7 feet of conduit in Summer St from Pole 325-69A to a point of pickup at 343 Summer St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy of Eversource described the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Grant of Location 204457 (ID:17227)

Submitted by Eversource to install 5 feet of conduit in Oak St from Pole 258/8 to a point of pickup at 43 Oak St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy of Eversource described the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Grant of Location 204458 (ID:17228) Submitted by Eversource to install 9 feet of conduit in Beacon St from Pole 269/13 to a point of pickup at 191 Beacon St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy of Eversource described the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 204459 (ID:17230) Submitted by Comcast to install 36 feet of conduit in Warwick St from Pole 2 to a point of pickup at 12 Warwick St.

The President opened the public hearing. Dave Flewelling of Comcast described the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

9. Grant of Location 204460 (ID:17229) Submitted by Patriot Custom Homes to install 36 feet of conduit in Chandler St from Pole 227/9 to a point of pickup at 74 Chandler St.

The President opened the public hearing. Dylan James of Patriot Custom Homes described the work to be completed. Roger Greene, owner of 74 Chandler Street, stated that after major renovations, he plans on moving in shortly and would very much like to have internet access. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Grant of Location 204461 (ID:17231) Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks to replace a pendant streetlight at 445 Artisan Way, and relocate it 10 feet to the east, with a new ODAS node and accessory equipment installed.

The President opened the public hearing. Stephanie Stephans of Lightower described the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

11. Resolution 204462 (ID:17174)

By Ald. Davis, Ballantyne, and the Entire Board

That the Administration advise this Board on enforcing city ordinances, and develop a better response to repeat violations, including whether eyewitness reports or submitted evidence can be the basis for a citation.

Alderman Davis and other Board Members said that the City has a problem enforcing City Ordinances; constituents get the run around on who to call to get satisfaction. Members concurred that the Administration needs to advise the Board on methods to enforce City Ordinances, and report violations of those Ordinances.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

12. Resolution 204463 (ID:17204)

By Ald. Davis, Ballantyne, Lafuente

That the Administration revise applicable ordinances and policies to prevent construction crews from closing sidewalks unless accommodations for safe pedestrian passage have been made, including the presence of detail officers at mid-block crossings if needed.

Alderman Davis reported that current policies leave pedestrians stranded when sidewalk work is done. He requested that the Administration follow the example of neighboring communities and insist on providing safe passage at all times.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

13. Order 204464 (ID:17184)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Personnel submit to this Board by its next regular meeting, a report of all department vacancies and the starting date of each vacancy, as well as any hires in process.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

14. Resolution 204465 (ID:17185)

By Ald. Rossetti, Davis, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Administration give immediate attention to its ability to contact any of the communication companies when safety concerns arise.

Alderman Rossetti requested from Comcast that they supply an emergency contact line (for City official's use only) for times when emergency concerns arise. Comcast representative David Flewelling said he would supply the 24/7 phone number and email address for municipal use only to the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

15. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

204466 (ID:17186) Reporting on the High School Building Committee meeting.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The project for the High School went before the Zoning Board on October 18, 2017. At the request of Planning Director George Proakis, the High School project application was split into two. The Zoning Board briefly took up the section on relief from setback and building height rules. The section on parking relief was not discussed.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

16. Order 204467

By Ald. McLaughlin

204467 (ID:17187) That the Commissioner of Public Works address the uneven sidewalk at 153-155 Pearl Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

17. Order 204468

By Ald. McLaughlin

204468 (ID:17188) That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the trees on Pleasant Avenue that

e:17188) are blocking street lights.

**RESULT:** 

18. Resolution

By Ald. McLaughlin

204469 (ID:17189) Requesting the State Delegation to support House Bill 3027, An Act to Establish the Office of Adult Guardianship and Decisional Support Services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**APPROVED** 

19. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204470 (ID:17205) That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to the Ward 5 Alderman on the status of the dilapidated two-family house at 19-21 Vernon

Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

20. Order By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

204471 (ID:17206) That the Commissioner of Public Works install a bench halfway between

Willow Avenue and Grove Street on the Community Path.

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

21. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204472 (ID:17207) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the sidewalk and storm drain at the driveway/curb cut at 32 Warwick Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

22. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204473 (ID:17208)

That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the weeds near Warwick Street and the Community Path ramp, and report to the Ward 5 Alderman who owns that property.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

23. Communication By Ald. Niedergang

204474

Reporting on the activities of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

(ID:17209)

Alderman Niedergang provided an update on the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. The two major items that the Affordable Housing Trust Fund has been dealing with are the Hundred Homes Project and the Clarendon Hill redevelopment plan to add three hundred units.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

24. Resolution By Ald. Heuston

204475 (ID:17210)

Urging the MBTA to maintain the fencing along the commuter rail corridor, to prevent the needless loss of life.

On October 11, 2017 a Somerville woman was killed on the commuter rail train tracks adjacent to Washington Street. The cause is still under investigation but it is clear that the lack of secure fencing along that stretch of track is cause for concern. Alderman Heuston crafted a letter to Governor Charlie Baker and MBTA General Manager Luis Ramirez about this and asked the Board for its support.

**APPROVED** RESULT:

25. Order

By Ald. Heuston

204476 (ID:17211)

That the City Clerk request that the owner of Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect Street, appear before this Board's Licenses and Permits Committee to respond to neighborhood concerns about the business.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

26. Order 204477 (ID:17212)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional services inspect the Adrian Street area for rodents and report back to the Ward 2 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Rodent Issues Special Committee

27. Resolution 204478 (ID:17213)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration provide a means for Ward 2 residents to report helicopter noise early on weekday mornings, and partner with Cambridge to prepare a formal complaint.

Ald. McLaughlin recused.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

28. Order 204479 (ID:17214)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide information related to returning the bike racks to the Argenziano School yard.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Resolution 204480

(ID:17215)

(ID:17216)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration inform this Board how Somerville participants will be chosen for the proposed GLX Community Working Group.

Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder said that the member selection process is still being developed. He will convey the details to the Board as soon as possible.

RESULT: APPROVED

30. Order 204481

By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panels at 17 Pleasant Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

31. Order 204482 (ID:17217)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Vinal Avenue from Highland Avenue to Summer Street at various times to monitor speeding motorists.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

32. Order

der By Ald. McWatters

204483 (ID:17218) That the Police Chief order a directed patrol on Atherton and Beech Streets for motorists making illegal left turns.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

33. Order

By Ald. McWatters

204484 (ID:17219) That the Director of SPCD consider placing a roundabout at Munroe Street and Prospect Hill Avenue, and consider a neighborhood meeting to discuss the

proposal.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

34. Order

By Ald. McWatters

204485 (ID:17220)

(ID:17221)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a sign on Hamlet Street: OPEN TO RESIDENTS AND BICYCLISTS ONLY, M-F 7–9 AM and 4-6PM.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

35. Ordinance 204486

By Ald. White Jr., Davis, McWatters

Proposing an Ordinance for the management and elimination of natural gas leaks.

leaks.

Alderman White said he modeled his proposal on Boston's Ordinance for the management and elimination of natural gas leaks.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

36. Resolution

204160

(ID:16874)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Mayor provide to this Board, by October 26, 2017, the analysis he referenced in a communication on June 28, 2017 regarding the costs and uses of Dilboy Field by city nonprofit sports programs.

Alderman Rossetti sponsored Mayor's Aide Tim Snyder, who said that the team working on the nonprofit cost analysis will have it completed by the next meeting.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

37. Order 204300 (ID:16999)

By Ald. Rossetti, Davis, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Communications review the attached email regarding better communication to residents for items before the Planning and Zoning Boards, and report back to this Board by October 23.

Alderman Rossetti commended the Planning Director's proactive plan to improve Board-constituent communications, described in #204522.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204487 (ID:17194) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on October 25, 2017.

Alderman Lafuente reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Administration presented a briefing on the Union Square District Improvement Financing Strategy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 204441 (ID:17153) Requesting acceptance of a \$1,703,572 grant that requires a match, from HUD to the SPCD Housing Division for its lead abatement program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 39. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204488 (ID:17190) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on October 16, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. He spoke about developers violating the terms of their permits. Inspectional Services Director Goran Smiljic said that violations are handled on a project by project basis. Instead of issuing tickets, ISD assesses triple fees for violations. The Committee also discussed the Housing Division's work on the Stable Neighborhood Working Group recommendations and learned that it was proceeding slowly because of staffing issues, but that the Division is fully staffed now. Another major item was the City's report of progress on the SomerVision goals. Alderman Ballantyne asked why is there so much housing development in traditional neighborhoods, not transformational areas. Planning Director George Proakis said the pending zoning overhaul, if enacted, would address that problem.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 202148 (ID:14822) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD and the Administration discuss pre-planning and planning processes and requirements for private developers and city infrastructure projects, identifying differences and similarities.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203980 (ID:16796) By Ald. Niedergang, McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board why even the top priority recommendations of the Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group have not yet been implemented after almost two years, and consider hiring additional staff to effectively address the affordable housing emergency.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 204168 (ID:16888) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Davis, and the Entire Board

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services report to this Board by September 28, 2017, the owners and addresses of all properties where Stop Work Orders were issued over the past two years, along with the names of the

permit applicants and a list of any fines issued.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

E. Officer's

Community Preservation Committee responding to #203735 re: prioritizing Communication affordable housing funds for municipal workforce housing.

204187 (ID:16921)

(ID:16998)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 204299 By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly

That the Director of SPCD appear before this Board's Committee on Housing and Community Development to discuss plans to connect the Inner Belt with North Point and the substance of any discussions with the City of Cambridge.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204301 (ID:17024)

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the city's Assessment of Fair Housing recently completed for HUD, and explain what the city is doing to advance fair housing and combat housing discrimination.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE 40.

A. Committee Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on October 19, 2017.

Report 204489 (ID:17191)

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. Most items were kept in Committee.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Order 202360 By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance for jobs linkage fees.

(ID:15017)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 203870 (ID:16591) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board no later than August 1, 2017 on progress on a revised demolition review ordinance following the 3 community meetings this spring.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

D. Resolution 204490

By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti

That the Administration consider adding a position to oversee street (ID:17195) reconstruction and utility work, and provide this Board with a list of duties of

said position.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

E. Resolution 204491

By Ald. White Jr.

That the Administration consider increasing permit fees to cover the cost of a (ID:17196) new position to oversee street reconstruction and utility work.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: **Finance Committee**

F. Order 204492

(ID:17197)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor draft a revised version of Ordinance 6-3(b)(3), Smoking in Parks, to extend the smoking prohibition to 50 feet.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE 41.

A. Committee Report 204493 (ID:17193) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on October 25, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The main item was Eversource's application to install 2,006 feet of conduit underneath Mystic Avenue as part of the Mystic-Woburn reliability project. The second item was a show cause hearing for American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Avenue. The Committee voted to revoke the license based on police reports of poor customer service and the vacating of the premises.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Grant of Location 204246 (ID:17017) Submitted by Eversource to install 2,006 feet of ductile steel pipe and conduit beneath Mystic Avenue, from Middlesex Avenue southeasterly to Alfred Lombardi Way.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

C. Officer's 204028

Police Detective reporting on an incident in support of possible revocation of Communication the Used Car Dealer License issued to American Auto Gallery, 682 Mystic Ave.

(ID:16824)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Mayor's Communication 204285 (ID:17005)

Conveying a Host Community Agreement with Eversource.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

E. Order 204494

(ID:17253)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Used Car Dealer Class 2 license issued to FMS Auto Sales LLC, 682 Mystic Avenue, be revoked immediately.

APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Heuston, Lafuente

#### PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE 42.

A. Committee Report 204495 (ID:17192)

Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on October 24, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The members questioned MA DOT about why the Beacon Street trees were cut down. The Committee was told that initially 17 trees were to be removed in May. One tree was removed in October and one in November due to unforeseen circumstances. MA DOT said they would inquire of the contractor, Newport Construction, why they removed those trees. There was an obvious breakdown in communication with the contractor.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

B. Officer's Communication

(ID:16073)

203413

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Officer's Communication 203813 (ID:16281)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/25/17.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's Communication 204188 (ID:16652)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 7/13/17.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 8/24/17.

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 4/27/17.

E. Officer's Communication 204288 (ID:16952)

WORK COMPLETED

**RESULT:** 

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Officer's Communication 204335 (ID:17050)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 9/28/17.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

G. Public Communication removal.

Chris Dwan submitting comments re: the October 6 Beacon Street tree

204423 (ID:17148)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED H. Officer's

Communication 204445

(ID:17074)

City Engineer submitting responding to #203496 re: Pitman Street pavement.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

43. Mayor's Request 204496 (ID:17238) Requesting that this Board convene in Executive Session to discuss the hiring and retention of school nurses.

The Board recessed for the Executive Session at 8:30 PM, and reconvened at 9:30 PM. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

44. Mayor's Request 204497 (ID:17078) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,000,000 in a bond to repair and improve the Buena Vista Garage.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 44 through 48 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 204498 (ID:17180) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$32,499.79 using available funds in various accounts in the Department of Public Works for services provided.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 204499 (ID:17179) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$4,000 using available funds in the Police Department Professional and Technical Services Account for Middle School Survey-Consultation.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 204500 (ID:17178) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$1,267.17 using available funds in the Police Department Animal Control Professional and Technical Services Account for veterinary services.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 204501 (ID:17072) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$977.05 using available funds in the Law Department's Legal Services Account for court reporting services.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Communication

Conveying the City's Amazon HQ2 Proposal.

204502 (ID:17233)

Alderman Ballantye requested to waive the reading of item 49 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

50. Officer's 204503

Chief Assessor requesting to appear at this Board's meeting on November 9, Communication 2017, for the Classification Public Hearing and determining and adopting the tax levy percentages for FY18.

(ID:17182)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Officer's 51.

Director of Personnel submitting an update on permanently filling the Fire Communication Chief Engineer position.

204504 (ID:17177)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

52. Officer's

Council on Aging Director responding to #204302 re: disposing of large items Communication at 240 Pearl Street.

204505 (ID:17183)

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 52 and 53 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

53. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/12/17.

204506 (ID:17169)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

Open Space, Environment and Energy Special Committee

### **NEW BUSINESS**

54. 204507

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Bond St Block Party Chili Cookoff, Nov 5, Noon-4:30PM (raindate Nov 19).

(ID:17239)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 54 through 57. Approve 54 and 55 and send 56 and 57 to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: **APPROVED**  55. 204508

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Boston International Kids Film Festival tables, Statue Park, Nov 5, Noon-5:30PM.

(ID:17240)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

56. License/Permit 204509

Public Event Permit, Boston Meditation table, Statue Park, Nov 10, 17, 24 and Dec 3, 12:30-7PM.

(ID:17241)

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

License/Permit 57. 204510

(ID:17242)

New Extended Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 516B Medford St, opening 7 days/wk until 2AM for dine-in, take-out, and delivery service.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

58. Public Communication 204511

(ID:17232)

Tufts University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the readings of items 58 and 59 and refer them to the Housing and Community Development Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

59. Public Harvard University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.

Communication 204512 (ID:17235)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

60. **Public** Communication

204513 (ID:17236) Hanna Bao submitting comments re: the proposed zoning overhaul.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the reading of item 60 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

# SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

61. Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

204514 (ID:17243)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect 31 Porter Street for rodent activity and instruct the owner to clean up the property and, if appropriate, address the problem.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee 62. Resolution 204515 (ID:17245)

By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Heuston, Davis, McWatters, Ballantyne, Connolly, Sullivan

Declaring that the FAA and Massport, by increasing traffic on Logan Airport Runway 33L, are neglecting the health, welfare, and quality of life of Somerville's residents, and urging the Administration to determine the city's legal options for recourse.

Alderman White reported that Massport seems bent on running business as usual with respect to runway usage. As of the end of September, departures from Runway 33L were equivalent to the entire preceding year. The City's remedy is to seek legal counsel in hopes that Massport can be ordered to undertake studies regarding air traffic. Alderman White asked and received the Board's authorization to draft with the City Clerk a letter stating such to the FAA and Massport.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

63. Mayor's Request 204516 (ID:17248) Requesting approval of an Ordinance for the Somerville Municipal Job Creation and Retention Trust Fund.

Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the reading of item 63 and refer it to the Legislative Matters Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

64. Mayor's Request 204517 (ID:17252) Requesting approval of the proposed Union Square District Improvement Financing (DIF) Development Program.

Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 64 through 67 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

65. Mayor's Request 204518 (ID:17247) Requesting a transfer of \$32,500 from the Salary Contingency Account to the Health & Human Services Personal Services Salaries Account to fund an Environmental Health Liaison.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

66. Mayor's Request 204519 (ID:17246) Requesting acceptance of a \$186,976 grant with no new match required, from State 911 to the Police Department for training and EMT service.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

67. Mayor's Request 204520 (ID:17249) Requesting acceptance of a \$75,000 donation from Tufts University, with no match required, pursuant to its Partnership Agreement with the City.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

68. Mayor's Request 204521 (ID:17234) Requesting the appointment of Francis J. Golden as Chief Assessor and Chairman of the Board of Assessors.

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 68 and refer it to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

FOLLOWUP: Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

69. Officer's 204522 (ID:17254)

Director of Planning responding to #204300 re: email communications for Communication items before the Planning and Zoning Boards.

> Alderman Ballantyne requested to waive the readings of items 69 and 70 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

70. Officer's Communication 204523

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/26/17.

(ID:17244)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### LATE ITEMS

71. **Public** 204524 (ID:17256)

18 registered voters submitting a proposed amendment to Zoning Ordinance Communication Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee.

Also referred to the Planning Board.

Bill Cavalini spoke on behalf of the Housing Linkage Fee Proposal. The need for affordable housing far exceeds what linkage dollars can respond to. If the Somerville market can absorb a raise in the Housing Linkage Fee to \$10.00 per square foot for all projects over 30,000 square feet, then the City should raise the fee. The Sustainable Neighborhoods Working Group recommended an increase in Linkage Fees.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee 72. Public 204525 (ID:17257)

18 registered voters submitting a proposed amendment to Zoning Ordinance Communication Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee and create a jobs creation and retention linkage fee.

Also referred to the Planning Board.

Lori Goldman spoke on behalf of the Jobs Linkage Fee Proposal. She said that establishing the Municipal Jobs Creation and Retention Trust Fund and a Jobs Linkage Fee at the reasonable amount of \$2.46 per square foot of commercial development, with full payment upon the issuance of building permits, will help residents, especially those most vulnerable to displacement, with job training, and will make the local workforce more attractive to developers.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

73. Officer's Communication pending lawsuits.

City Solicitor requesting to appear before this Board with an update on two

204526 (ID:17255)

Frank Wright, City Solicitor reported to the Board on two court cases that were just dismissed. First was the matter of Lopez vs. the City and Eastern Bus, and seond was the matter of Mondol vs. the City et al. In both cases, the city was exonorated in total.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

74. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti

204527 (ID:17264) Requesting that Eversource meet with this city's Administration to discuss creating a city-wide Host Community Agreement.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

75. Resolution 204528

By Ald. Davis

(ID:17263)

Requesting the Administration to compile contact information for all utilities, for reporting such issues as low hanging wires and gas leaks, and make it easily accessible on the city's website.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

76. Order 204529 (ID:17265) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD provide the High School Traffic Study to this Board and post it on the city's website as soon as it is complete.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  77. Mayor's Request 204439 (ID:17070) Requesting the appropriation of \$500,000 from the CPA Fund's Open Space Reserve and Undesignated Fund Balance Accounts for the acquisition of 5 Palmer Ave.

Discharged from the Committee on Finance.

Economic Development Director Tom Galigani answered a concern from President White regarding contaminated soil at this property. The source was 50 Tufts Street, a Dry Cleaner, and the extent of contamination was still being investigated. The owner understands their responsibility for the long-term clean-up. There are currently no concerns for neighbors with deep ground water contamination, including 5 Palmer Avenue. Before the closing on the property, the city will receive a Permanent Solution Statement. No plans are set as far as this becoming an Open Space.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

78. Order 204530 (ID:17250)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a SLOW sign on Russell Road at its intersection with Ware Street.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

79. Order 204531 (ID:17251)

By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

That the Director of Engineering ensure that Eversource is providing project updates to residents on Powder House Blvd. for a year-long project, and is providing a few days' notice if private property needs to be accessed.

### **RESULT:** APPROVED

80. Order 204532 (ID:17258) By Ald. White Jr.

That the City Solicitor determine whether the City may issue a parking citation to vehicles parked on private property in violation of zoning provisions that prohibit such parking.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

81. Resolution 204533 (ID:17259)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration request that the developers of the long-vacant Cobble Hill Plaza update this Board on their plans.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

82.	Order 204534 (ID:17260)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of Veterans and Public Services relocate the veteran street corner dedication sign on Gilman Street to a more suitable location.		
		RESULT: APPROVED		
83.	Order 204535 (ID:17261)	By Ald. McLaughlin That the city arborist trim the tree at 8 Ellsworth Street.  RESULT: APPROVED		
84.	Resolution 204536 (ID:17262)	By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr. Requesting that the MBTA install a bus shelter under the Washington Street overpass to service the bus routes on that roadway.  RESULT: APPROVED		

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:45 PM.

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# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 204537 (ID:17291) Call of the Roll.

Alderman McWatters sponsored a moment of silence for Ann Murphy. Alderman Rossetti sponsored a moment of silence for Elizabeth Pellecchia.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

2. Minutes 204538 (ID:17292)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 12, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 204539 (ID:17293)

By Ald. McWatters, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending ten Fire Department employees on the auspicious occasion of their retirement, including District Chief Dennis Murphy, Lieutenants James Nolan and Stephen Ortolani, and Firefighters John Beckwith, Michael Bennett, Thomas Brown, Thomas Lopez, Vincent Mattera, Frederick Popken, and Joseph Rossi.

Alderman McWatters reported that these Firefighters received their Citations Tuesday.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. Grant of Location 204540 (ID:17294) Submitted by Eversource to install 48 feet of conduit in Highland Avenue, from Manhole 15226 to a point of pickup at the High School.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the details of work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

5. Officer's 204541 (ID:17274)

Chief Assessor's Classification Hearing Report regarding the adoption of Tax Communication Levy Percentages for FY 2018, including a minimum residential factor and a residential exemption.

> The President opened the public hearing. Frank Golden, new Chief Tax Assessor, was introduced to the Board. Chief Tax Assessor Marc Levye reviewed a slide presentation and handouts with the Board, showing his FY18 Classification Hearing Report recommendations. Mayor Joseph Curtatone said he would have information available for the Board regarding the increase in residential exemption at the December meeting. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

Two motions were approved by Roll Call vote:

1. That this Board adopts a minimum residential factor of 87.5435, the legal minimum for the City of Somerville for FY2018.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]** 

Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, AYES:

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Connolly

2. That this Board accepts the provisions of Chapter 59, Section 5c approving a residential exemption of 35% of average assessed value for owner occupied properties for FY2018.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

6. Order 204542 (ID:17269) By Ald. Davis

That the City Arborist discuss with this Board the feasibility of pruning the trees along the Community Path opposite the community garden, near Grove

Alderman Davis reported that these trees are causing shade and would like them pruned as long as it doesn't hurt them.

**RESULT: APPROVED**  7. Order 204543 (ID:17278)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD report to this Board on the neighborhood traffic calming planned for Central Street in 2018, especially around the Hoyt Sullivan playground.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

8. Order 204544 (ID:17279)

By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install a "STATE LAW-YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALK" sign on Central Street, on the telephone pole facing northbound traffic near Willoughby and Albion Streets.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

9. Order 204545 (ID:17280)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install flashing "SLOW-CHILDREN CROSSING", "SLOW-YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS", and/or "SPEED LIMIT 20MPH" signs on Central Street near the Hoyt Sullivan Playground.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

10. Order 204546 (ID:17281) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works post "NO DUMPING" signs, with the amount of the fine, on the north edge of the Cambridge Health Alliance parking lot on Central Street. (2nd request)

Alderman Niedergang stated that for several years contractors have been illegally dumping at this parking lot, and he would like to see "No Dumping" signs installed.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

11. Order 204547

(ID:17282)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the broken bollard at the intersection of Cedar Street and the Community Path. (2nd request)

RESULT: APPROVED

12. Order 204548 (ID:17283)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the broken street light and the drooping wire at 436 Broadway.

13. Order 204549 (ID:17284)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Engineer, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the Water Director repair the pavement on Carver Street.

Alderman Niedergang stated that he has been trying to get something done for over a year. The damage has been caused by private and city work on the street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. Order 204550 (ID:17285)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking and/or the Director of SPCD work with their counterparts in Medford to improve the intersection of Broadway, Albion and Winchester Streets, where there are no street signs or markings, and review other intersections on the Medford-Somerville line before the GLX opens.

Alderman Niedergang stated that there was a proposed 55-unit housing development opposite Trum Field, mostly located in Medford. There was a community meeting at which the developer committed to pay Somerville \$32,500 for traffic mitigation. There is going to be a lot of development along this corridor that straddles Somerville and Medford, which means that developers could potentially play city against city. We are going to have to have strong relations with our counterparts when developers propose something that straddles the city line.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

15. Order 204551 (ID:17286)

By Ald. Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Director of Capital Projects or the Director of Communications share with this Board the plan for keeping community members informed on a regular basis about the High School building project.

Alderman Niedergang feels that more communication from the Director of Capital Projects regarding the High School project should be shared with the public on a regular basis.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

16. Order 204552 (ID:17287)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Capital Projects or the Director of SPCD update this Board about the transportation management and parking plans for both the construction and the post-construction phases of the new High School.

Alderman Niedergang is concerned about parking after the High School is finished. The City needs to be prepared with a sound plan in place.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

17. Citation 204454 (ID:17224)

By Ald. the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Mary Caruso, on the happy occasion of her 85th birthday.

Alderman Sullivan spoke to Mary Caruso's son and he would like to receive this citation on behalf of his mother.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

18. Resolution 204160

(ID:16874)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the Mayor provide to this Board, by October 26, 2017, the analysis he referenced in a communication on June 28, 2017 regarding the costs and uses of Dilboy Field by city nonprofit sports programs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

19. Order 204377 (ID:17109)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, and the Entire Board That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor appear at this Board's November 9, 2017 meeting to discuss why developers have gotten building permits without meeting pre-conditions specified in zoning decisions, how the City can more effectively monitor projects for compliance with zoning conditions and other requirements, and what fines and penalties can be levied to deter future violations.

Alderman Niedergang reported that the Director of Planning, Superintendent of Inspectional Services, and City Solicitor could all appear at the Board's December 14 meeting.

**RESULT:** LAID ON THE TABLE **FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 20. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204553 (ID:17288) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on November 2, 2017.

Ald. Rossetti recused for discussions of #203789, #203868, and #204026

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee took up the Smoking in Parks ordinance to extend the smoking prohibition to fifty feet. The fine was increased to \$100 to be consistent with the fine for having an open alcoholic beverage container. Smoking marijuana in public is covered under the state laws covering tobacco. The Committee also discussed a new demolition review ordinance, including the right of appeal and different time lines for residential vs. commercial development. The Committee also discussed strengthening the provisions for rodent eradication prior to construction. Alderman Rossetti then recused herself, and Alderman Niedergang reported on the proposed ordinance to limit the holdover period of city board members after their terms have

ended, to require their re-appointment. Mayor's assistant Annie Connor and Planning Director George Proakis expressed different concerns about this proposal, and City Solicitor Frank Wright said it could be subject to legal challenge. The Committee discussed changing the City Charter to accommodate this provision, which would require a Home Rule Petition, and asked for information about other cities' and towns' policies.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 204171 (ID:16891)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Health and Human Services report to this Board whether smoking tobacco and marijuana is restricted to beyond a 50 foot radius around parks, playgrounds and athletic fields, and, if it is not, work with the City Solicitor's Office to change the regulations to prohibit such smoking on public property within 50 feet of parks, playgrounds and athletic fields.

For the approved Ordinance, see #504581.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 204492 (ID:17197) By Ald. Niedergang

That the City Solicitor draft a revised version of Ordinance 6-3(b)(3), Smoking in Parks, to extend the smoking prohibition to 50 feet.

For the approved Ordinance, see #504581.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

21. Mayor's Request 204554 (ID:17276) Requesting an appropriation of \$2,400,000 in Parking Meter Receipts to reduce the FY18 Tax Levy.

Mr. Bean stated that parking meter receipts are always used to reduce the tax levy. The city currently averages \$180,000 to \$200,000 per month in receipts.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Mayor's Request 204555 (ID:17272) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Overlay Surplus approved by the Board of Assessors on October 6, 2017, to reduce the FY18 Tax Levy.

Mr. Bean thanked the Board of Assessors for voting an overlay surplus to be used to reduce FY18 tax levy.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

23. Mayor's Request 204556 (ID:17277) Requesting the appropriation of \$140,151 from the Receipts Reserved-Deposits Account to reduce the FY18 Tax Levy.

Mr. Bean stated that this is old money found on the ledger and will be used to reduce the FY18 tax levy.

24. Mayor's Request 204557 (ID:17203) Requesting approval to appropriate \$40,357.05 from the Union Square Revitalization Fund for legal services.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 24 through 30 and refer them to the Finance Committee except for item 30, which will go to the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

25. Mayor's Request 204558 (ID:17202) Requesting approval to create the 290 Highland Ave Stabilization Fund, and accept a payment to the Fund of \$10,000 from 290 Highland Ave LLC for Ward 5 Improvements.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

26. Mayor's Request 204559 (ID:17267) Requesting acceptance of a \$61,610 grant with no new match required, from Mass Development to the Arts Council to develop a co-working kitchen space for the Nibble program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

27. Mayor's Request 204560 (ID:17200) Requesting acceptance of a \$34,200 grant with no new match required, from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for its grant program.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

28. Mayor's Request 204561 (ID:17266) Requesting acceptance of a \$22,460 grant with no new match required, from the MA Emergency Management Agency to the Fire Department for emergency operations.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

29. Mayor's Request 204562 (ID:17201) Requesting acceptance of a \$6,900 grant with no new match required, from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for operational support.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

30. Mayor's Request 204563 (ID:17176) Requesting the appointment of Eric Collins to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

31. Officer's Communication streets.

Director of Water responding to #204375 re: cleaning the sewers on certain

204564 (ID:17268)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the reading of item 31 and place it on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

### **NEW BUSINESS**

32. 204565

(ID:17295)

License/Permit Public Event Permit, Arts Council Illuminations Tour, Citywide, Dec 16, 3-10:30PM (raindate Dec 17).

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 32 through 36 and approve them, except for items 35 and 36 which will go to the Committee on Licenses and Permits for a Public Hearing. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

33. License/Permit Transferring Flammables License, Shield Broadway, 620 Broadway.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

204566 (ID:17296)

34. License/Permit

Sign/Awning Permit, Hair By Christine, 217 Highland Ave, 1 awning.

204567 (ID:17297)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

35. 204568

License/Permit New Garage License, K Professional Auto Detailing, 682 Mystic Ave, washing vehicles only, 3 vehicles inside, 4 outside.

(ID:17298)

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

36. 204569

(ID:17299)

License/Permit New Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, 161 Linwood St, mechanical repairs, washing vehicles, storing vehicles, 10 vehicles inside, 30 outside.

> **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

37. **Public** 204570

35atSummer LLC proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at Communication 3-5 Summer St to NB.

(ID:17300)

Also referred to the Planning Board. Ald. White recused.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

38. Order By Ald. White Jr.

204571 (ID:17303) That this Board amends Rule 24 of the Rules of the Board to add the Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee as a Standing Committee, consisting of five members.

Alderman White said that this Committee should gain Standing Committee status for the Board.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Rossetti, Lafuente

39. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204572 (ID:17307) That the Chief of Police, the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Director of SPCD monitor traffic speeds on North Street, High Street, Fairfax Street, Sterling Street, Gordon Street and Woods Avenue and suggest traffic dampening measures.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

40. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204573

That the Director of SPCD prioritize Cameron Avenue for repaving.

(ID:17308) **RESULT:** APPROVED

41. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204574 (ID:17309) That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the wooden placard horse on

Ware Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

42. Mayor's Requestir
Request to design
204575

(ID:17306)

Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,100,000 in a bond to design a Stormwater Pump Station and Force Main on Poplar Street.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 42, 43, 46 and 47 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

43. Mayor's Request 204576 (ID:17305) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,500,000 in a bond, for the Spring Hill Sewer Separation Project Design Phase.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

44. Mayor's Request 204577 (ID:17302) Requesting the appropriation of \$450,000 from the FY18 Tax Levy to the Green Line Extension Stabilization Fund, to fund debt service for the city's contribution to the GLX.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

45. Mayor's Request 204578 (ID:17304) Requesting the appropriation of \$450,000 from the FY18 Tax Levy to the Facility Construction and Renovation Stabilization Fund, to fund debt service for the new High School.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

46. Mayor's Request 204579 (ID:17301)

Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices using \$16,092 in available funds in the Law Department Legal Services Account for outside legal counsel services.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 204580 (ID:17275)

Requesting acceptance of a \$32,000 grant from the MA Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Department's Recycling Dividends Program.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Officer's 204581 (ID:17270)

Assistant City Solicitor submitting amendments to Ordinances 6-3, Smoking in Communication Parks, and 9-3, Marijuana in Public Places and Parks, as recommended by the Committee on Legislative Matters at its 11/2/17 meeting.

For discussion of this item, see #204171 and #204492.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

Lafuente ABSENT:

49. Officer's 204582 (ID:17311)

Director of Parks & Recreation and City Solicitor responding to #204160, Communication #203889, and #203733 re: nonprofit soccer and football organizations' use of Dilboy Field.

> **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Officer's

Director of Water and Sewer responding to #204370 re: residential Communication notifications for excessive water use.

204583 (ID:17289)

Alderman McWatters requested to waive the readings of items 50 and 51 refer them to the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

51. Officer's

Director of Water and Sewer responding to #204371 re: customer service for Communication questioned water bills.

204584 (ID:17290)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

Public Utilities and Public Works Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

### **LATE ITEMS**

52. Resolution 204585 (ID:17314) By Ald. Davis

That the city's Storm Water Management Policy regarding inflow and infiltration be amended to remove the 2,000 GPD threshold and require a 4:1 (or other) ratio for the removal of infiltration and/or inflow for any new sanitary sewer connection and any increase in unit count or other property improvement, together with any other changes designed to shift the burden of increased storm water and sanitary flow off of the taxpayers.

Alderman Davis sponsored Assistant City Solicitor David Shapiro to speak on the proposed Ordinance. Essentially, there are two options. Option one is that the permit granting authority can set the fee, and option two is that the Board of Aldermen can ordain the fee. Mayor's Administrative Assistant Tim Snyder said the Administration is putting together an Ordinance, and will be looking to adjust the 2,000 gallon per day threshold in the interim.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

53. Order 204586 (ID:17315) By Ald. Davis

That the Solicitor's Office submit to this Board at its first meeting in January, a proposed ordinance to formalize the city's Storm Water Management Policy so all new inflow or infiltration, whether resulting from new development or improvements to existing properties, require mitigation, including payments into the dedicated fund for such mitigation.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

54. Order 204587 (ID:17316) By Ald. Davis

That the City Arborist and the Commissioner of Public Works inspect and prune the trees in Seven Hills Park to avoid potential damage from wind, snow or ice.

55. Resolution 204588

(ID:17317)

By Ald. Davis

That the Administration prioritize restorative and preventative maintenance in Seven Hills Park, including the statues and pillars, the brick Community Path, and the soil and grass.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 9:10 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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## **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrive	d
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll. 204593

Alderman McWatters sponsored a moment of silence for John Cronin.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 26, 2017.

(ID:17380) RESULT: APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

(ID:17379)

3. Citation By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor 204595 Commending the late Officer Louis Remigio, winner of the Alexander (ID:17383) McQuestion Award as Police Officer of the Year.

4. Citation 204596 (ID:17384)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Julian Davis, winner of the Thomas Chetham Award as Firefighter of the Year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Citation 204597 (ID:17381)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Sean Horgan, Somerville Citizen Veteran of the Year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Citation 204598 (ID:17382)

By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Devin Schneider, Somerville Public Service Veteran of the Year.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. Grant of Location 204599 (ID:17385) Submitted by Eversource to install 29 feet of conduit in Horace St from Pole 173/4 to a point of pickup at 36 Horace St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

8. Grant of Location 204600 (ID:17386) Submitted by Eversource to install 120 feet of conduit in Orchard St from Pole 196/8 to a point of pickup at 131 Orchard St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Grant of Location 204601 (ID:17387) Submitted by Eversource to install 47 feet of conduit in Medford St from Manhole 7423 to a point of pickup at 518 Medford St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing. Ms. Duffy asked that the Grant be held pending further Eversource communications with the property owner.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

10. Grant of Location 204602 (ID:17388)

Submitted by Lightower Fiber Networks to install 88 feet of conduit in Washington St from Pole 34A to a point of pickup at 237 Washington St.

The President opened the public hearing. Chris Finner with Lightower Fiber discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Grant of Location 204603 (ID:17389) Submitted by Comcast to install 95 feet of conduit in Paulina St from Pole 182/6 to a new manhole at the intersection of Paulina St and Broadway, then another 197 feet of conduit in Broadway to a point of pickup at 1060 Broadway.

The President opened the public hearing. Dave Flewelling with Comcast discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Grant of Location 204604 (ID:17390) Submitted by 44-48 Medford Street LLC to install 30 feet of conduit in Ward St from an easement on what is now 48 Medford St to a point of pickup at 46 Medford St.

The President opened the public hearing. Jonathan Block of 44-48 Medford St. LLC discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

13. Order

204605 Ti

(ID:17322)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, the Director of Health and Human Services and the Municipal Hearing Officer provide this Board with the number of citations that have been waived over the past year, including the original infraction and the reason for granting relief.

Alderman Davis said he wanted to review the data for citations that have been waived.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

14. Order 204606 (ID:17358)

By Ald. McLaughlin

By Ald. Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the leaning electrical poles on Glen Street near the East Somerville Community School.

Alderman McLaughlin requested to waive the readings of items 14 through 25 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

15. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 204607 That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the uneven sidewalk at 6 Dell (ID:17359) Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 16. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 204608 That the Commissioner of Public Works trim the tree at 14 Rush Street. (ID:17360) **RESULT: APPROVED** By Ald. McLaughlin 17. Order 204609 That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the missing ground lights at (ID:17361) the East Branch Library. **RESULT: APPROVED** 18. Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the city Arborist address the dead tree at 91 Gilman Street. 204610 (ID:17362) **RESULT: APPROVED** 19. Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the city Arborist address the dying tree at Franklin and Pearl Streets that 204611 (ID:17363) is in danger of falling down. **RESULT: APPROVED** 20. Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Traffic and Parking place SENIOR CROSSING signs at 204612 (ID:17364) Cobble Hill on Washington Street and at 240 Pearl Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** Order 21. By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works and the ADA Coordinator address the 204613 (ID:17365) uneven sidewalk at 223-225 Pearl Street. **RESULT: APPROVED** 22. Order By Ald. McLaughlin 204614 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the faded ONE WAY sign on (ID:17366) Perkins Street near the Boston line. **RESULT: APPROVED** 

23. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

204615 (ID:17367)

That the Director of Traffic and Parking consider changing the DO NOT ENTER sign on Perkins Street to allow abutter access for residents of 70

Perkins Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

24. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

204616 (ID:17368) That the Director of Traffic and Parking conduct a traffic study of the intersection at Mt. Vernon Street and Broadway, and examine cut-through

traffic in Ward 1.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

25. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

204617 (ID:17369)

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect the 70 Perkins Street area for rodent activity.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

Order 26. 204618 (ID:17370) By Ald. McLaughlin, and the Entire Board

That this Board record all of its committee meetings by video or audio for the

public record.

Alderman McLaughlin would like to see all committee meetings recorded for the public record. All of the Aldermen supported this request. Alderman Rossetti raised concerns about whether there might be a budgetary impact due to Communications staff labor.

**RESULT:** 

**APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** 

**Rules Special Committee** 

27. Order 204619 (ID:17371) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 5 Alderman and this Board no later than November 28, 2017 whether the physical neighborhood traffic calming measures for Broadway at Glenwood Road (plastic bollards, cones, rubber curbs, etc.) will be installed in 2017.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

Ordinance 28. 204620 (ID:17372) By Ald. Niedergang

That Ordinance Section 1 -11 Penalties and Violations be amended for Rodent Control (11-38) from tiered fines of \$50/\$100/\$300 to \$100/\$300/\$500.

Alderman Niedergang described how he was recently in a parking lot and a business put out a huge pile of trash on the ground in front of a dumpster, including donuts and muffins: perfect rat food. He wants to see fines increased to help deter businesses from improper trash disposal.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee 29. Ordinance

By Ald. Niedergang

204621 (ID:17374)

(ID:17375)

That Ordinance Section 1 -11 Penalties and Violations be amended for Trash Outside of Places of Business (9-55) from tiered fines of \$50/\$100/\$300 to \$100/\$300/\$500.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

30. Order 204622

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill in the hole by the storm drain at the southwest corner of Lowell Street and Highland Avenue.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

31. Citation 204454 (ID:17224)

By Ald. the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Mary Caruso, on the happy occasion of her 85th birthday.

Alderman Sullivan stated that he hand-delivered this Citation to the family.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 32. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENTS AND PERSONNEL MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204623 (ID:17327) Report of the Committee on Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters, meeting on November 14, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee accepted the withdrawal of the appointment of Robert McGovern to the Licensing Commission, and approved several appointments. Eric Collins was sworn in as Fire Fighter following his appointment.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 203234 (ID:15915) Requesting the appointment of Robert J. McGovern to the Licensing Commission.

**RESULT:** 

WITHDRAWN

C. Mayor's Request 203895 (ID:16542) Requesting the appointment of Sumayya Essack to the Commission for Women.

RESULT: APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 204022 (ID:16668) Requesting the appointment of Margaret Norcross-Devin to the Commission for Women.

E. Mayor's Request 204023 (ID:16669) Requesting the appointment of Patricha Paul to the Commission for Women.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 204327 (ID:17023) Requesting the appointment of Cristina Kennedy to the Conservation Commission.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 204563 (ID:17176) Requesting the appointment of Eric Collins to the position of Fire Fighter.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

## 33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204624 (ID:17326) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on November 13, 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee approved a request to accept a donation from Tufts University for \$75,000 as well as several other grants and payments of prior year invoices. The Committee discussed a \$63,000,000 bond for Somerville Avenue streetscape and utility improvements and requested more information. Finally, the Committee approved an appropriation from the Union Square Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 204179 (ID:16672) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$3,024 using available funds in the Personnel Department Professional and Technical Services Account for Cambridge Health Alliance pre-employment screening.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 204183 (ID:16875) Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for DesignLab Architects for the West Branch Library renovation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 204184 (ID:16876) Requesting approval of a time-only contract extension for Design Technique Inc. for the West Branch Library renovation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 204281 (ID:17009) Requesting approval to pay 11 prior years invoices totaling \$2,419.57 using available funds in the Information Technology Leased Photocopier Account to pay monthly lease costs for leased photocopiers.

F. Mayor's Request 204282 (ID:17010) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$289.70 using available funds in the Information Technology Internet Maintenance Account for a monthly payment of the Traffic & Parking internet circuit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 204283 (ID:16967) Requesting acceptance of a \$21,509 grant with no new match required, from the Urban Areas Security Initiative to the Police Department for the procurement of gunshot detection and location services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 204284 (ID:16963) Requesting acceptance of a \$3,750 grant with no new match required, from the MA Office of Public Safety to the Police Department for pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

I. Mayor's Request 204326 (ID:16966) Requesting approval to appropriate \$112,770.34 from the USQ Revitalization Stabilization Fund for legal services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** Lafuente

J. Mayor's Request 204498 (ID:17180) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$32,499.79 using available funds in various accounts in the Department of Public Works for services provided.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 204499 (ID:17179) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$4,000 using available funds in the Police Department Professional and Technical Services Account for Middle School Survey-Consultation.

RESULT: APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 204500 (ID:17178) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$1,267.17 using available funds in the Police Department Animal Control Professional and Technical Services Account for veterinary services.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 204501 (ID:17072) Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice totaling \$977.05 using available funds in the Law Department's Legal Services Account for court reporting services.

N. Mayor's Request 204519 (ID:17246) Requesting acceptance of a \$186,976 grant with no new match required, from State 911 to the Police Department for State 911 Support and Incentive Grant.

RESULT: APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 204520 (ID:17249) Requesting acceptance of a \$75,000 donation from Tufts University, with no match required, pursuant to its Partnership Agreement with the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

P. Order 204625 (ID:17324) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Finance provide this Board with quarterly reports for all stabilization funds.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

Q. Resolution 204626 (ID:17325) By Ald. Rossetti

That representatives from US2 appear before the Finance Committee to explain what they're committing to build in Union Square, when it will be built, and what it will be worth.

**RESULT:** APPROVED FOLLOWUP: Finance Committee

## 34. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204627 (ID:17330) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on November 15, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. This was a joint meeting with the Planning Board, which included a Public Hearing on the proposed extension of the medical marijuana overlay district at which no one from the public spoke. He requested that the Board discharge the item (#204229) from the Committee so it could be ordained. The Committee also approved amending the zoning for parcels around the Porter Street area from Residence B to Residence A. The Committee considered amending the zoning around 125 Lowell Street, but wanted the City Solicitor to answer questions about the amendment first.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Ordinance 203948 (ID:16653)

By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

Proposing an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map for certain parcels in the Porter Street area.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Lafuente

C. Public 195642

Hala Jadallah submitting comments re: #195247, a proposed zoning ordinance Communication to change all CCD45 and CCD55 zoning districts in Ward 4 to RC zoning districts.

(ID:8133)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. Order By Ald. White Jr.

199429 (ID:12000) That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide copies of the proposed new zoning public comments to all Aldermen, within 3 weeks.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

E. Order

By Ald. White Jr.

199430 (ID:12001)

That the Director of SPCD (Planning) provide the responses to the proposed new zoning public comments to this Board by August 21.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

F. Mayor's Request 201843 (ID:14509)

Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create a new "CCD-55" Commercial" subdistrict, a new "CCD-45 Commercial" subdistrict, a new Section 5.8: Coordinated Development Special Permit, a new Section 6.7: Union Square Overlay District, and to make related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

G. Public

138 voters requesting a Public Hearing on Community Benefits Agreements Communication and their potential to address displacement and uphold community values.

202235 (ID:14911)

PLACED ON FILE **RESULT:** 

H. Public Union United submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 202303 (ID:14978)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

I. **Public**  Bill Cavellini submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 202304 (ID:14979)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

J. **Public**  Ed Marakovitz submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 202320 (ID:14993)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 202357 By Ald. Heuston

(ID:15103)

That the City Solicitor appear before the Land Use Committee to explain the threshold that would require a new notice and hearing.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

L.	Order 202358 (ID:15104)	By Ald. Niedergang That a formula business restriction be added to the Union Square zoning amendment.		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
M. Public		Melissa Lowitz sub	mitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.	
	Communication 202392 (ID:15067)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
N. Public Communication 202393 (ID:15068)		members submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
O.	Communication	12 Union Square bu #201843, Union Sq	usiness owners and 1 resident submitting comments re: zoning.	
	202394 (ID:15069)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
P. Public Communication 202395 (ID:15070)	115 signers to a Chamber of Commerce petition submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.			
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
Q.	Public Communication	•	merville submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq	
	202396 (ID:15071)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
R. Public Communication 202397 (ID:15072)	•	Streets submitting comments re: #201843, Union Sq		
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
S. Public Communicatio 202398 (ID:15073)	Communication	•	e Denise Provost submitting comments re: #201843, Union	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
T.	T. Public Communication 202399 (ID:15074)	Wig Zamore submi	tting comments re: #201843, Union Sq zoning.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
U.	Officer's	Planning Board con Zoning Amendmen	eveying its recommendations re: #201843, a proposed t for Union Square.	
	202410 (ID:15094)	RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	

V. Public Fr. Richard Curran submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Communication Agreement for Union Sq. 202481 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15166) W. Public Evan Cook submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Communication Agreement for Union Sq. 202482 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15167) X. Public Danielle Dupre submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Communication Agreement for Union Sq. 202494 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15178) Y. Officer's Assistant City Solicitor responding to #202357 re: the public hearing threshold Communication when proposed zoning ordinance amendments are approved. 202554 WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** (ID:15190) Z. Public Gary Trujillo submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Communication Agreement for Union Sq. 202578 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15261) AA. Public Andrew Stuntz and David Tisel submitting comments re: #202235, a Communication Community Benefits Agreement for Union Sq. 202579 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15262) AB. Public John Boney submitting comments re: #202235, a Community Benefits Communication Agreement for Union Sq. 202580 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15263) AC. Ordinance By Ald. Heuston 202852 Requesting the adoption of an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance map to rezone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B. (ID:15551) **RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE For Ordainment of this item, see #203708. AD. **Public** Lauren Mucci submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203049 (ID:15740) AE. Public Mara Vorhees submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203050

(ID:15741)

AF. Public Communication 203051 (ID:15742) AG. Officer's

Brandon Hanks submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

203100 (ID:15914)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202853, an updated Communication amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to create a new CCD-55 and CCD-45 Commercial sub-districts, a new Coordinated Development Plan Special Permit, a new Union Square Overlay District, and related changes to Article 5 and the Zoning Map.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AH. Officer's 203102 (ID:15907)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202854 a Zoning Communication Amendment to adjust the definition of Net Floor Area, clarify affordable housing requirements in RA and RB districts, and confirm the process to approve subdivisions, lot splits, lot mergers and lot line adjustments.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AI. Officer's 203103 (ID:15908)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #202852 a Zoning Communication Amendment to re-zone Emerson Street and a portion of Everett Street to Residence B.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AJ. **Public** 

Briana Weisgerber submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Lou Carrier submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

Communication 203193 (ID:15884)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AK. **Public** Communication

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

203194 (ID:15885)

AL. **Public** Communication zoning.

Diane Goodwin Papadakos submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq

203195 (ID:15886)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AM. Public Communication Ravi Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203196 (ID:15887)

**RESULT:** 

AN. Public Communication 203197 (ID:15888)

Poonam Sapkota submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

WORK COMPLETED

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AO. Public Communication

Emily Reichert submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

203198 (ID:15889) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

AP.	Public Communication 203199	Adam Dash submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.		
		<b>RESULT:</b>	WORK COMPLETED	
(ID:15890)				
	Public Communication		itting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	203200	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
(ID:15891)  AR. Public Communication 203201 (ID:15892)	Sean Selby submitt	ing comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.		
	Communication	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
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AS. Public Communic		John Wiseman subi	mitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	Communication 203202	<b>RESULT:</b>	WORK COMPLETED	
	(ID:15893)			
AT.	Public Communication		mitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	203203 (ID:15804)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AU.	(ID:15894) Public	Robert Arnold subr	nitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
110.	Communication 203204 (ID:15895)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AV.	Public	Sandra McGoldrick submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.		
	Communication 203205	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
(ID:15896)		Tom Dont submitti	ac comments to #202952 Union Co zoning	
AW.	Public Communication 203206 (ID:15897)		ng comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AX.	Public	Sarah Rodewald su	bmitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	Communication 203207 (ID:15898)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AY.	Communication 203208	Don Hughes submit	tting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
AZ.	(ID:15899) Public	Patar Quinn submit	ting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
AL.	Communication	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	
	203209 (ID:15900)	AESOLI.	WOME COM DETER	
BA.	Public	Michael Winston su	abmitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.	
	Communication 203210 (ID:15901)	RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED	

BB. Public Charles McKenzie submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203211 (ID:15902) BC. Public Claudia Robaina submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203212 (ID:15903) BD. Public Somerville Chamber of Commerce submitting comments re: #202853, Union Communication Sq zoning. 203213 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15905) BE. Public Elio LoRusso submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203214 (ID:15906) Public BF. Ben Holmes submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203215 (ID:15909) BG. Public Union Square Station Associates submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq Communication zoning. 203216 **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED (ID:15911) Director of SPCD conveying the phasing provisions of the Master Land BH. Officer's Communication Disposition Agreement between the Redevelopment Authority and Union 203528 Square Station Associates. (ID:16240) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED BI. **Public** The Chamber of Commerce, Union Square Main Streets, and Somerville Local Communication First submitting comments re: the Union Sq proposed zoning, the US2 Covenant, and the Community Benefits Ordinance. 203555 (ID:16241) WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** BJ. **Public** Jen Brown submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203643 (ID:16341) BK. **Public** 73 residents submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 203682 (ID:16392) BL. **Public** Renee Scott and Tori Antonino submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq Communication zoning. 203683 WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** (ID:16393)

BM. Public

Communication 203684

(ID:16394)

Katherine Widmer submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

BN. Public

Communication 203685 (ID:16395)

Wig Zamore submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BO. Public

Communication 203686 (ID:16397)

Pennie Taylor submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BP. **Public** 

Communication 203687 (ID:16398)

Mike Gintz submitting comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BO. **Public** 

Communication 203688 (ID:16399)

Wig Zamore submitting further comments re: #202853, Union Sq zoning.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

BR. Officer's

204233 (ID:16945)

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #203948, a Zoning Communication Amendment to re-zone parcels in the Porter Street area to Residence A.

> **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE 35.

Committee A. Report 204628 (ID:17331) Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on November 16, 2017.

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed #203098, an ordinance creating a Community Benefits Committee, and decided to schedule a Public Hearing in January on the matter. Next the Committee discussed strengthening rodent eradication efforts prior to construction. Alderman Davis proposed that a certified expert confirm that eradication had been completed, and the Committee agreed to ask the Superintendent of Inspectional Services to attend the next meeting to answer questions. Finally the Committee discussed amendments to the Tree Preservation Ordinance to add safeguards for street reconstruction projects. Assistant City Solicitor Shannon Phillips said it wouldn't apply to public shade trees, and Alderman White requested they be included for park projects and capital projects.

#### 36. LICENSES AND PERMITS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204629 (ID:17328) Report of the Committee on Licenses and Permits, meeting on November 15, 2017.

Alderman Sullivan reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee approved several licenses. The majority of the meeting was spent on Master Used Cars, a used car dealership at 121 Prospect Street. The Committee applied several conditions to the license based on complaints, the testimony of a neighbor, and findings of fact:: 1) that the number of vehicles allowed on the lot be reduced to 23; 2) that no vehicles be parked in front of the business office; 3) that a demarcation barrier be installed separating the property from the Prospect Street sidewalk; and 4) that Saturday hours be reduced to 9am to 2pm. The Board then approved Alderman Heuston's motion to add a 5th condition to the license: that absolutely NO painting be allowed on the premises.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Resolution 203950 (ID:16655) By Ald. Davis

That the Administration review all licenses granted to bfresh, and discuss with this Board any restrictions on trash and recycling disposal and on the timing and location of deliveries.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 204476 (ID:17211)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Clerk request that the owner of Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect Street, appear before this Board's Licenses and Permits Committee to respond to neighborhood concerns about the business.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

D. 204510 (ID:17242)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Pepi's Pizzeria, 516B Medford St, opening 7 days/wk until 2AM for dine-in, take-out, and delivery service.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

E. 204568 (ID:17298)

License/Permit New Garage License, K Professional Auto Detailing, 682 Mystic Ave, washing vehicles only, 3 vehicles inside, 4 outside.

> APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS **RESULT:**

**CONDITIONS**: 1. All work must be performed inside the building with the doors closed after 4PM.

- 2. No vacuuming can be done outdoors.
- 3. Owner must consult with City officials on containing water runoff within the premises.
- 4. Saturday hours are 9 AM to 6 PM only.

F. 204569 (ID:17299)

License/Permit New Garage License, Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, 161 Linwood St, mechanical repairs, washing vehicles, storing vehicles, 10 vehicles inside, 30 outside.

> **RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED

AMENDED: Hours shall be Mon-Fri 7AM-7PM, Sat 8AM-5PM, Sun

Closed.

G. Order 204630 (ID:17342) By Ald. Heuston

That the license of Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect Street, Somerville, be amended, as follows: 1. The number of vehicles allowed to be parked on the lot is reduced to 23. 2. No vehicles may be parked between the business office and the entrance. 3. A barrier is to be installed on the property by 12/6/2017 to prevent vehicles from overhanging the Prospect Street sidewalk. 4. The hours of operation on Saturdays are reduced to 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

These Amendments were recommended by the Licenses and Permits Committee, and approved by this Board, after having made factual observations and findings.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AS AMENDED. [UNANIMOUS] Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, AYES:

Heuston, McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Lafuente

**AMENDED**: 5. Absolutely NO painting is allowed on the premises.

H. Order 204631 (ID:17343)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inspect Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect Street, for compliance with all license restrictions, as soon as possible after December 6, 2017.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### 37. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204632 (ID:17329)

Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on November 15, 2017.

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the Air BnB situation. ISD doesn't feel it has the capacity for enforcement. The Committee will discuss it further. The Committee will also look further into legal options with respect to Logan airport runway noise.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Mayor's Communication 201482 (ID:14138)

Conveying the Carlson Group's study of Somerville's fire and rescue services.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED C. Order By Ald. Niedergang, and the Entire Board 202182 That the Chief of Police or the Director of

That the Chief of Police or the Director of SPCD report to this Board on plans (ID:14875)

That the Chief of Police or the Director of SPCD report to this Board on plans to educate motorists about using the "Dutch Reach" to open the driver's door

as a way to avoid "dooring" cyclists.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Officer's Communication 202314

Director of Transportation and Infrastructure responding to #201794, #201799, and #202111, re: a safety education campaign for bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers.

(ID:14946)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Order By Ald. Niedergang

202625 (ID:15355) That the Director of SPCD develop and report to this Board an outreach campaign to start in the spring of 2017, to educate motorists about using the "Dutch Reach" to open the driver's side door to avoid "dooring" cyclists.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Resolution By Ald. Davis, Rossetti, and the Entire Board

202801 (ID:15540) That the Administration advise this Board on the proposed state regulation of AirBnB properties, and options the city might have for taxation and regulation.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Mayor's Conveying statistical and policy information from Airbnb relative to home Communication sharing usage in Somerville.

202907 (ID:15599)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Resolution By Ald. Connolly

202913 (ID:15608) That the Administration prepare a Home Rule Petition to increase the maximum age of Special Police Officers from 65 years old to 68.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

202914 (ID:15607) Conveying Mike Wiser's report of the Massport RNAV Hearing and Forum, held on February 22, 2017, with the associated Massport presentation.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

203066 (ID:15782) That the Administration update this Board on recent efforts to minimize Logan air traffic noise.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Resolution 203966 (ID:16682) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan, Davis

That the Administration update this Board on the request that the FAA reject any design of the Millennium Tower in Boston that includes 775 feet of height, which would lead to more traffic on Logan Airport's Runway 33L.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

L. Resolution 204372

(ID:17103)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration work with the State Delegation to provide sound barriers along I-93 to help with air and noise pollution.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 204390 (ID:17123) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD and the Tree Warden provide any new data to this Board indicating if any city trees are dying from gas leaks.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Resolution 204478

(ID:17213)

(ID:17245)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Administration provide a means for Ward 2 residents to report helicopter noise early on weekday mornings, and partner with Cambridge to prepare a formal complaint.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Resolution 204515

By Ald. White Jr., Rossetti, Heuston, Davis, McWatters, Ballantyne, Connolly, Sullivan

Declaring that the FAA and Massport, by increasing traffic on Logan Airport Runway 33L, are neglecting the health, welfare, and quality of life of

Somerville's residents, and urging the Administration to determine the city's legal options for recourse.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Order 204633 (ID:17430) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure send copies of the planned January bicycle safety mailing to the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety prior to mailing it to residents.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

Q. Order 204634 (ID:17431) By Ald. Rossetti

That the Director of Health and Human Services provide the Committee on Public Health and Safety with a report, within 30 days, on plans to use any proceeds realized from medical marijuana facilities.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

R. Resolution 204635

By Ald. McLaughlin

204635 (ID:17432) That the Administration and the Chief of Police provide feedback on military technology and weapons capability and capacity.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

S. Resolution

By Ald. Rossetti

204636 (ID:17433) That the Administration discuss the issue of pedestrian and traffic safety as it relates to sidewalk and roadway closings due to construction.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

## 38. CAUCUS OF THE 2018 BOARD OF ALDERMEN

A. Committee Report

Report of the Caucus of the 2018 Board of Aldermen, meeting on November 21, 2017.

204637 (ID:17378)

The City Clerk reported that in a non-binding vote, Alderman Ballantyne was elected President of the Board for 2018, and Alderman McLaughlin was elected Vice President of the Board for 2018.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

## COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

39. Mayor's Request 204638 (ID:17373) Requesting an amendment to Zoning Ordinance Article 7 to institute a study period to review recreational marijuana facilities prior to permitting them.

Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 39 and refer it to the Land Use Committee and Planning Board for a Public Hearing. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

40. Mayor's Request 204639 (ID:17333) Requesting the appropriation of \$1,542,581 from the Unreserved Fund Balance Account ("Free Cash") to the Reserve for Authorized Snow and Ice Amortization Account and the FEMA Snow Removal Account to eliminate the snow removal deficit.

Finance Director Ed Bean stated that the MA Dept. of Revenue requires the city to eliminate the Fiscal 2015 snow removal deficit. The Department had allowed the city to amortize the debt over a 3-year period, excepting revenues anticipated from FEMA. Unfortunately, FEMA will not reimburse expenses beyond what it's already paid, so the city must pay off the 2015 deficit in full this year.

41. Mayor's Request 204640 (ID:17335) Requesting the appropriation of \$200,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to implement the Winter Hill Neighborhood Plan.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 41 and 43 through 49, and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

42. Mayor's Request 204641 (ID:17341) Requesting the appropriation of \$46,401 from excess FY18 CPA Fund revenues to the CPA Fund Budgeted Reserve.

Finance Director Ed Bean stated that the actual State match for CPA for FY18 will be \$370,465. The CPA budgeted \$324,064 so there is an excess that can be applied to CPA reserves.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

43. Mayor's Request 204642 (ID:17336) Requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

44. Mayor's Request 204643 (ID:17310) Requesting a transfer of \$100,000 from the Judgments and Settlements Account to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 204644 (ID:17313) Requesting acceptance of a \$94,663 Formula 18 grant with no new match required, from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to the Council on Aging for senior services, staffing and transportation.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

46. Mayor's Request 204645 (ID:17323) Requesting acceptance of a \$56,201 grant with no new match required, from the State E911 Office to the Police Department for 911 training and emergency medical dispatch services.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 204646 (ID:17181) Requesting approval to extend the TRC Brownfield Assessment Contract beyond the 3 year time limit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 204647 (ID:17271) Requesting approval to extend the WSP Union Square Infrastructure Engineering Contract beyond the 3 year time limit.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

49. Mayor's Request 204648 (ID:17321) Requesting approval to extend a Weston & Sampson contract for construction administration services at Lincoln Park.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 204649 (ID:17340) Requesting the re-appointment of Nancy Busnach to the Redevelopment Authority.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 50 through 62 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

51. Mayor's Request 204650 (ID:17352) Requesting the re-appointment of Kevin Prior to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

52. Mayor's Request 204651 (ID:17353) Requesting the re-appointment of Rebecca Lyn Cooper to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

53. Mayor's Request 204652 (ID:17354) Requesting the re-appointment of Joseph Favaloro to the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

54. Mayor's Request 204653 (ID:17355) Requesting the re-appointment of Gerard Amaral as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

Requesting the re-appointment of Richard Rossetti to the Zoning Board of 55. Mayor's Request Appeals 204654 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:17356) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee 56. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of C. Anne Brockelman as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Request 204655 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:17357) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee Requesting the re-appointment of Ryan Falvey to the Historic Preservation 57. Mayor's Request Commission. 204656 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:17345) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee 58. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Eric Parkes to the Historic Preservation Commission. Request 204657 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:17346) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee 59. Requesting the re-appointment of Abby Freedman to the Historic Preservation Mayor's Request Commission. 204658 **RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION (ID:17347) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee 60. Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Dick Bauer to the Historic Preservation Request Commission. 204659 REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION **RESULT:** (ID:17348) **FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters Committee Mayor's Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bingham as an Alternate Member of 61. the Historic Preservation Commission. Request

(ID:17349)

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION
Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters
Committee

204660

62. Mayor's Request 204661 (ID:17351) Requesting the re-appointment of Heather Davies as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

63. Officer's 204662

Planning Board conveying its recommendations re: #204229 a Zoning Communication Amendment extending the time period in which the Medical Marijuana Overlay District remains in effect.

(ID:17377)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

64. Officer's 204663

(ID:17376)

Director of Economic Development submitting recommendations from the Communication Mayor's Advisory Committee on Jobs Linkage.

> Alderman Rossetti requested to waive the readings of items 64 through 66 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

65. Officer's Communication vacancies.

Director of Personnel responding to #204464 re: updated departmental

204664 (ID:17273)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

Officer's 66. Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/9/17.

204665 (ID:17312)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

## **NEW BUSINESS**

67. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Deano's Pasta, 15 Garfield Ave, 2 murals.

204666 (ID:17391)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 67 through 69 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

68. License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, PK's Convenience, 99 Holland St, 2 signs.

204667 (ID:17392)

69. 204668

License/Permit New Open Air Vendor License, Next Wave-Full Circle School, 8 Bonair St, Xmas trees and wreaths.

(ID:17393)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

70. Public Communication local business owners.

Eric Schwartz submitting comments re: zoning for cannabis that supports small

204669 (ID:17394)

Alderman Davis requested to waive the reading of item 70 and refer it to the Land Use Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE FOLLOWUP: Land Use Committee

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

71. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204670 That the Director of Traffic and Parking repair the flashers on the crosswalk

sign on Morrison Avenue at Highland Road. (ID:17425)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

72. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204671 That the Director of SPCD discuss with the Ward 7 Alderman the traffic strategy and mitigation options for the new projects around Teele Square. (ID:17426)

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Housing and Community Development Committee

73. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

204672 That the Director of SPCD and the Director of Traffic and Parking accelerate (ID:17427) the timeline for the new walkway along the former Powderhouse School.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

74. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Health and Human Services distribute the policy of 204673 (ID:17428) medication distribution to children who are on field trips with the Public

Schools.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

75. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> 204674 That the Director of Health and Human Services distribute the policy regarding (ID:17429) nurse coverage during after-school programs housed at the Public Schools.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

> **FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

76. Mayor's Request 204675 (ID:17337) Requesting approval to dedicate the entirety of Prospect Hill Park to open space and recreational use in perpetuity.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 76 through 78 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

77. Mayor's Request 204676 (ID:17423) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$436,528.08 in a bond for two DPW Sweepers and a Trackless Vehicle.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

78. Mayor's Request 204677 (ID:17332) Requesting approval to enter into net-metering agreements with both ECA Solar and SunWealth.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

79. Mayor's Request 204678 (ID:17434) Requesting the appointment of Joseph P. Lynch, Jr., to the Licensing Commission.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 79 and 80 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

80. Mayor's Request 204679 (ID:17350)

Requesting the re-appointment of Denis Chagnon as an Alternate Member of the Historic Preservation Commission.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

81. License/Permit 204680

(ID:17395)

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, DM Auto Body, 48 Joy St.

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 81 through 101 and approve them, except for item 86 which should be sent to the Committee on Licenses and Permits. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

82. License/Permit 204681 (ID:17396)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Simon's Auto Service, 166 Boston Ave.

83.	License/Permit 204682 (ID:17397)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 182 Washington St.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
84.	License/Permit 204683 (ID:17398)	Renewing Used Ca 325 Alewife Brook	r Dealers License Class 2, William Doucette Auto Sales, Pkwy.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
85.	License/Permit	Renewing Used Ca	r Dealers License Class 2, Tech Auto Body, 9 Union Sq.	
	204684 (ID:17399)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
86.	License/Permit 204685 (ID:17400)	Renewing Used Ca Broadway.	r Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Motor Cars, 161	
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION Licenses and Permits Committee	
87. License/Permit 204686		Renewing Used Ca Hwy.	r Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Enterprises, 308 McGrath	
	(ID:17401)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
88.	License/Permit	Renewing Used Ca	r Dealers License Class 2, United Motors, 188 Broadway.	
	204687 (ID:17402)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
	License/Permit 204688 (ID:17403)	Renewing Used Ca Columbia St.	r Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 517	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
90.	License/Permit 204689 (ID:17404)	Renewing Used Ca Columbia St.	r Dealers License Class 3, Joseph Talewsky and Son, 512	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
91.	License/Permit 204690 (ID:17405)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, PJ Ryans, 239 Holland St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
92.	License/Permit 204691 (ID:17406)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Smart Tan, 258 Elm St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
93.	License/Permit	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, True Grounds, 717 Broadway.	
	204692 (ID:17407)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

94.	License/Permit 204693 (ID:17408)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
95.	License/Permit 204694 (ID:17409)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Dali Restaurant, 415 Washington St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
96.	License/Permit 204695 (ID:17410)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Spoke Wine Bar, 89 Holland St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
97.	License/Permit 204696 (ID:17411)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Taco Party, 711 Broadway.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
98.	License/Permit 204697 (ID:17412)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Mr. Crepe, 51 Davis Sq.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
99.	License/Permit 204698 (ID:17413)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, The Joshua Tree, 256 Elm St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
100.	License/Permit 204699 (ID:17414)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Au Bon Pain, 40 Holland St.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
101.	License/Permit 204700 (ID:17415)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, El Potro Mexican Grill, 61 Union Sq.
		RESULT:	APPROVED
102.	Public Communication 204701 (ID:17416)	,	ging that the Planning Board's Union Square Coordinated ial Permit vote be delayed until all members have current
			ved Alderman Rossetti's recommendation that the City citizens that the Board does not have the authority to act on PLACED ON FILE
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# **LATE ITEMS**

103. Mayor's Request 204229 (ID:16946) Requesting an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance extending the time period in which the Medical Marijuana Overlay District remains in effect.

Discharged from the Committee on Land Use.

**RESULT:** ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**ABSENT:** McLaughlin, Lafuente

104. Resolution 204702

(ID:17435)

By Ald. White Jr., and the Entire Board

That this entire Board signs on to the following letter prepared by Environment Massachusetts and Environment America calling on President Trump to stand up for our oceans and coasts.

On Alderman White's request, the Board signed on to the Environment America letter prepared for President Trump.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was Adjourned at 8:05 PM.

# City of Somerville, Massachusetts Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen

# **SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

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# **OPENING OF THE MEETING**

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM by Alderman At Large William A. White Jr.

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Absent
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Absent
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call Call of the Roll.

204703 (ID:17450)

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

## **CITATIONS**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

# ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 2. 204399: Requesting the adoption of an amendment to Zoning Ordinance Article 15 to establish a Project Mitigation Fee for Job Creation and Retention. (Listed here for informational purposes only.)
- 3. 204400: Requesting the adoption of an amendment to Zoning Ordinance Section 15.5 to update the Project Mitigation Contribution for Affordable Housing. (Listed here for informational purposes only.)

- 4. 204524: 18 registered voters submitting a proposed amendment to Zoning Ordinance Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee. (Listed here for informational purposes only.)
- 5. 204525: 18 registered voters submitting a proposed amendment to Zoning Ordinance Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee and create a jobs creation and retention linkage fee. (Listed here for informational purposes only.)

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 6. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204704 (ID:17447) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole in Joint Session with the Planning Board, on November 27, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. This was a joint meeting with the Planning Board with Public Hearings on four separate proposals relating to linkage fees, two relating to housing and two relating to both jobs and housing.

RESULT: APPROVED

#### 7. LAND USE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204705 (ID:17448) Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on December 6, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee focused on four items relating to linkage, creating a jobs linkage fee and increasing the housing linkage percentage. The Committee heard a presentation from the consultant that generated the Nexus Study, demonstrating a need for linkage based on anticipated development. Economic Development Director Tom Galligani also spoke, addressing development and the effects of the linkage fees and how they might discourage development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 204706 (ID:17444) By Ald. White Jr.

That the Land Use Committee schedule a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning Board re: #204159, a proposed zoning map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell, Belmont and Summer Streets, and Highland Avenue.

#### LAND USE COMMITTEE

Α. Committee Report 204707

(ID:17449)

Report of the Committee on Land Use, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, on December 12, 2017.

Alderman Davis reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The four items before the Committee related to housing and jobs linkage fees. The Committee decided to base its review on one of them, #204525. This proposal was amended by the Committee, and the approved language was submitted by Planning Director George Proakis as #204709.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Public 204525

(ID:17257)

(ID:17451)

18 registered voters submitting a proposed amendment to Zoning Ordinance Communication Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee and create a jobs creation and retention linkage fee.

For Ordained text, see #204709.

PLACED ON FILE RESULT:

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

# COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

9. Officer's Planning Board submitting recommendations re: #204399, #204400, #204524, Communication and #204525, four zoning ordinance proposals for affordable housing linkage 204708 fees and/or jobs creation and retention linkage fees.

> This item was received by the Board and referred to the Committee on Land Use before the Board recessed so the Committee could meet to consider a recommendation on the housing and jobs linkage proposals.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE **FOLLOWUP:** Land Use Committee

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

#### **LATE ITEMS**

10. Officer's 204709 (ID:17567)

Planning Director submitting proposed amendments to Zoning Ordinance Communication Article 15 to update the housing linkage fee and create a jobs creation and retention linkage fee, based on the language proposed in #204525 and amended by the Committee on Land Use at its 12/12/17 meeting.

See #204525 for discussion of this item.

RESULT: ORDINANCE ORDAINED. [UNANIMOUS] **AYES:** Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston,

McWatters, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

ABSENT: Connolly, Lafuente

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

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Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present
Lance L. Davis	Ward Six Alderman	Present
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present

1. Roll Call 204710 (ID:17494) Call of the Roll.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

2. Minutes 204711 (ID:17495)

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, November 9, 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **CITATIONS**

3. Citation 204712 (ID:17455)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman John M. Connolly for his outstanding service to the people of Somerville as Alderman at Large from 2007 to 2017, and, prior to that, as Ward Six Alderman from 1984 to 2005.

Alderman Connolly gave a speech thanking the Board, Mayor and his constituents for this recognition. Alderman Rossetti thanked him for being her mentor and for his years of service.

4. Citation 204713 (ID:17456)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman Maryann M. Heuston for her outstanding service to the people of Somerville as Ward Two Alderman from 2002 to 2017.

Alderman Heuston thanked the people of Ward 2 for having confidence in her. Alderman Ballantyne thanked her for touching the lives of so many constituents. Alderman Niedergang remembered times they worked together. Alderman Rossetti reflected on when they were first introduced and how she was a mentor for her.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

5. Citation 204714 (ID:17457)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman Dennis M. Sullivan for his outstanding service to the people of Somerville as Alderman at Large from 2004 to 2017.

Alderman Sullivan recognized and thanked the members of the Board. Alderman Ballantyne thanked him for his time. Alderman Rossetti thanked him for his service to the community.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

6. Citation 204715 (ID:17458)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman Tony Lafuente for his outstanding service to the people of Somerville as Ward Four Alderman from 2012 to 2017.

Alderman Lafuente gave a speech reminiscing about his service on Board and recognizing his colleagues. Alderman Ballantyne thanked him for his dedication to the City.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

7. Citation 204716 (ID:17459)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending outgoing Alderman Robert J. McWatters for his outstanding service to the people of Somerville as Ward Three Alderman from 2014 to 2017.

Alderman McWatters thanked the Board for the recognition. Alderman Lafuente thanked him for all the help he received when he was elected. Alderman Ballantyne shared some quotes from his constituents and recognized him as sincere and dedicated. Alderman Niedergang thanked him for all the advice given over the years. Alderman Rossetti thanked him for his service.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

Alderman Davis then thanked and recognized all the outgoing Aldermen for their service. Tom Bent, President of the Chamber of Commerce, thanked all of the departing Aldermen for their exceptional service. Finally, Mayor Curtatone recognized the contributions from all of the outgoing Aldermen.

8. Citation 204717 (ID:17460)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Clerk of Committees Rositha Durham for her outstanding service to this Board and its Committees in 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

9. Citation 204718 (ID:17461)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Assistant Clerk of Committees Peter Forcellese for his outstanding service to this Board and its Committees in 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

10. Citation 204719 (ID:17462)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Assistant Clerk of Committees Charles Sillari for his outstanding service to this Board and its Committees in 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

11. Citation 204720 (ID:17463)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Alderman William A. White, Jr., for his distinguished service as President of this Board in 2017.

Alderman Ballantyne thanked Alderman White for all of his help and education over the years. Alderman White thanked the Board and Administration for this recognition. Alderman Heuston stated that he was the right President for the right time. Alderman McWatters thanked him for his guidance. Alderman Niedergang recognized his leadership abilities. Alderman Sullivan stated that he was an excellent, truly dedicated leader.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

12. Citation 204721 (ID:17464)

By Ald. The Entire Board

Commending Alderman Katjana Ballantyne for her distinguished service as Vice President of this Board in 2017.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

13. Grant of Location 204722 (ID:17496) Submitted by Eversource to install 9 feet of conduit in Holland Street, from Pole 171/8 to a point of pickup at 116-118 Holland Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

14. Grant of Location 204723 (ID:17497)

Submitted by Eversource to install 27 feet of conduit in Hawthorne Street, from Pole 391/4 to a point of pickup at 30 Hawthorne Street.

The President opened the public hearing. Jacqueline Duffy with Eversource discussed the work to be completed. With no other speakers, the President closed the public hearing.

RESULT: APPROVED

### ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS

15. Order 204724

By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

(ID:17454)

That the Director of Health and Human Services present the Assessment and

Plan in follow-up to the recently released City Wellness Report.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. Resolution 204725 (ID:17468)

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

That the Administration consider making the entire city a safety zone.

Alderman McWatters said he has long requested reducing the speed limit citywide.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

17. Resolution 204726 (ID:17469)

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

That the Administration continue to increase the tree canopy by adding 1,000 trees in the next 5 years.

Alderman McWatters stated that there are currently 12,000 trees in the city and he would like to see 1,000 more added over the next five years.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Open Space, Environment and Energy Committee

18. Resolution 204727 (ID:17470)

By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board

That the Administration collaborate with union leaders, Mass Housing, and a community development corporation to develop strategies to help city employees purchase and rent affordable housing units.

Alderman McWatters would like to see city workers able to live in the city with the availability of affordable housing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

19. Order 204728 (ID:17471)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the flashing pedestrian crossing sign on the south side of Morrison Avenue at Highland Road.

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the readings of items 19 through 26 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

20. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

204729 (ID:17472)

(ID:17473)

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill in the hole next to the storm drain at the southwest corner of Lowell Street and Highland Avenue. (Second request)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

21. Order 204730

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works fill the large sinkhole in the road at 11 Rogers Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

22. Order 204731 (ID:17474)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works make the following repairs on Carver Street: fill the pothole behind the sewer cover; straighten the two curbstones on the south side of the street; and remove the pile of cement at the end of the street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

23. Order 204732 (ID:17475)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works patch the uneven roadway on Cedar Street around the Community Path as it presents a safety hazard for bicyclists.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

24. Order 204733 (ID:17476)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking post a NO U-TURN sign on Porter Street at Highland Avenue.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

25. Order 204734 (ID:17477)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Chief of Police conduct traffic enforcement during the afternoon rush hour at the intersection of Hinckley Street and Broadway so motorists on Broadway don't prevent cars from exiting Hinckley Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

26. Order 204735 (ID:17478)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking paint the intersection of Broadway at Hinckley Street with a "Don't block the box" symbol so motorists on Broadway don't prevent cars from exiting Hinckley Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

27. Order 204736 (ID:17479)

By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, Davis That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services inform this Board of the department's practices when residents complain of structural damage to their homes caused by nearby construction activities.

President White requested an explanation of the Inspectional Services Department's procedures when homeowners complain of structural damage to their buildings due to nearby construction. This item will remain with the Board until the Superintendent can appear at a meeting.

RESULT: APPROVED
FOLLOWUP: Board of Aldermen

28. Order 204737 (ID:17480) By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Director of SPCD correct the erroneous information about the late John Kenney that appears on the Kenney Park dedication plaque.

# **RESULT:** APPROVED

29. Resolution 204738 (ID:17481)

By Ald. Connolly

Expressing appreciation to City Clerk John Long and his staff for their outstanding service, professionalism, concern, and attention to detail throughout my tenure as an elected Alderman.

Alderman Connolly requested to waive the readings of items 29 through 31 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

RESULT: APPROVED

30. Resolution 204739

(ID:17482)

By Ald. Connolly

Expressing appreciation to Clerks of Committees Rose Durham, Charles Sillari and Peter Forcellese for their outstanding service, professionalism, concern, and attention to detail throughout my tenure as an elected Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

31. Resolution 204740 (ID:17483)

By Ald. Connolly

Expressing appreciation to the Mayor and his administration for their outstanding service, professionalism, concern, and attention to detail throughout my tenure as an elected Alderman.

32. Resolution 204741

(ID:17484)

By Ald. Connolly

Expressing sincere appreciation to the citizens of Somerville who voted for me to serve on this Board some 17 times between 1984 and 2017 as a Ward Six Alderman (11 terms) and an Alderman at Large (6 terms).

Alderman Connolly thanked the citizens of Somerville for their support during his long tenure as an Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

33. Order 204377 (ID:17109)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis, Connolly, and the Entire Board That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Solicitor appear at this Board's November 9, 2017 meeting to discuss why developers have gotten building permits without meeting pre-conditions specified in zoning decisions, how the City can more effectively monitor projects for compliance with zoning conditions and other requirements, and what fines and penalties can be levied to deter future violations.

RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE

34. Grant of Location 204601 (ID:17387) Submitted by Eversource to install 47 feet of conduit in Medford St from Manhole 7423 to a point of pickup at 518 Medford St.

RESULT: WITHDRAWN

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

# 35. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204742 (ID:17485) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on November 28, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. There was a Public Hearing on the Union Square District Improvement Financing program. City Engineer Rich Raiche gave a presentation about the area's infrastructure needs. Alderman Ballantyne asked when the City would see revenue. Public comments were heard at this meeting.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

### 36. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204743 (ID:17491) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on December 5, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting.

# 37. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204744 (ID:17492) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on December 11, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee recommended approving several contract extensions and grants, as well as several other financial items.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 204557 (ID:17203) Requesting approval to appropriate \$40,357.05 from the Union Square Revitalization Fund for legal services.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

C. Mayor's Request 204559 (ID:17267) Requesting acceptance of a \$61,610 grant with no new match required, from Mass Development to the Arts Council to develop a co-working kitchen space for the Nibble program.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

D. Mayor's Request 204560 (ID:17200) Requesting acceptance of a \$34,200 grant with no new match required, from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for its grant program.

RESULT: APPROVED

E. Mayor's Request 204561 (ID:17266) Requesting acceptance of a \$22,460 grant with no new match required, from the MA Emergency Management Agency to the Fire Department for emergency operations.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

F. Mayor's Request 204562 (ID:17201) Requesting acceptance of a \$6,900 grant with no new match required, from the MA Cultural Council to the Arts Council for operational support.

RESULT: APPROVED

G. Mayor's Request 204579 (ID:17301) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices using \$16,092 in available funds in the Law Department Legal Services Account for outside legal counsel services.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

H. Mayor's Request 204580 (ID:17275) Requesting acceptance of a \$32,000 grant from the MA Department of Environmental Protection for the Public Works Department's Recycling Dividends Program.

I. Mayor's Request 204642 (ID:17336) Requesting the appropriation of \$25,000 from the Unreserved Fund Balance ("Free Cash") to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.

RESULT: APPROVED

J. Mayor's Request 204643 (ID:17310) Requesting a transfer of \$100,000 from the Judgments and Settlements Account to the Law Department Legal Services Account to fund anticipated outside legal counsel invoices.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

K. Mayor's Request 204644 (ID:17313) Requesting acceptance of a \$94,663 Formula 18 grant with no new match required, from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs to the Council on Aging for senior services, staffing and transportation.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

L. Mayor's Request 204645 (ID:17323) Requesting acceptance of a \$56,201 grant with no new match required, from the State E911 Office to the Police Department for 911 training and emergency medical dispatch services.

RESULT: APPROVED

M. Mayor's Request 204646 (ID:17181) Requesting approval to extend the TRC Brownfield Assessment Contract beyond the 3 year time limit.

RESULT: APPROVED

N. Mayor's Request 204647 (ID:17271) Requesting approval to extend the WSP Union Square Infrastructure Engineering Contract beyond the 3 year time limit.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

O. Mayor's Request 204648 (ID:17321) Requesting approval to extend a Weston & Sampson contract for construction administration services at Lincoln Park.

RESULT: APPROVED

P. Mayor's Request 204675 (ID:17337) Requesting approval to dedicate the entirety of Prospect Hill Park to open space and recreational use in perpetuity.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

Q. Mayor's Request 204676 (ID:17423) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$436,528.08 in a bond for two DPW Sweepers and a Trackless Vehicle.

RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]

AYES: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,

Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis,

Ballantyne

R. Mayor's Request 204677 (ID:17332) Requesting approval to enter into net-metering agreements with both ECA Solar and SunWealth.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 38. FINANCE COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204745 (ID:17493) Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole on December 13, 2017.

Alderman Heuston reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed five items, all related to Union Square infrastructure improvements and district improvement financing. The cost of these items was discussed, and the Committee tried to determine whether they are interconnected or independent of one another. City Engineer Rich Raiche explained the complexity of the Somerville Avenue streetscape project and the value of building a tie-in to the GLX stormwater system and Economic Development Director Tom Galligani spoke about the benefits for economic development.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Mayor's Request 204437 (ID:17167) Requesting approval of the proposed Union Square District Improvement Financing Development District.

RESULT: APPROVED

C. Mayor's Request 204438 (ID:17154) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$63,000,000 in a bond for Somerville Avenue streetscape and utility improvements.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [10 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

NAYS: McLaughlin

D. Mayor's Request 204517 (ID:17252) Requesting approval of the proposed Union Square District Improvement Financing (DIF) Development Program.

E. Mayor's Request 204575 (ID:17306) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$2,100,000 in a bond to design a Stormwater Pump Station and Force Main on Poplar Street.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [10 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

NAYS: McLaughlin

F. Mayor's Request 204576 (ID:17305) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,500,000 in a bond, for the Spring Hill Sewer Separation Project Design Phase.

**RESULT:** APPROVED. [10 TO 1]

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Heuston,

McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Davis, Ballantyne

**NAYS:** McLaughlin

### 39. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204746 (ID:17487) Report of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, meeting on November 29, 2017.

Alderman Niedergang reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee heard from Tufts University Community Relations Director Barbara Rubel on the conversion at Tufts wood-frame buildings into residential housing in Medford and Somerville. So far the project has only happened in Medford. Only two dorms have been built on campus since 1980 and Tufts is trying to add 600 beds in the next five years. The housing proposed will be apartments for older students, one student per bedroom, with no parking provided. Alderman Ballantyne expressed her opposition to this proposal for housing in Somerville.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Resolution 200517 (ID:13164) By Ald. Connolly, Davis, Heuston, Sullivan, Rossetti, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

That the Mayor or his designee report at this Board's January 14, 2016 meeting on the status of the Green Line Extension into Union Square and beyond.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 201837 (ID:14495) By Ald. Davis

That the Director SPCD report to this Board on the process to notify the public of late changes to Zoning Board of Appeals agendas including the agenda posted on the city's website.

D. Resolution 202802

By Ald. Davis

202802 (ID:15541) That the Administration update this Board on the proposed development at the MBTA shaft site on Summer Street.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Officer's Planning Director Communication Street shaft site.

Planning Director responding to #202802 re: the MBTA 343-351 Summer Street shaft site

203018 (ID:15680)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 203564 (ID:16275) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., and the Entire Board That the Director of SPCD incorporate into the initial notice to abutters of development projects, that they may submit their e-mail address to the Planning Department for updates as the designs or plan change.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 203593 (ID:16295) By Ald. Ballantyne, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD provide a bi-annual progress report on the 100 Homes Initiative, specifically relating to the new affordable off-site housing units granted by the Planning Board to FRIT on May 18, 2017.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Order 203749 (ID:16531) By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

That the Director of SPCD focus workforce development plans on vulnerable adults, determine if additional funds are needed, and provide this Board with a quarterly progress report.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 203951 (ID:16657) By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of SPCD inform the Ward 2 Alderman of the impact of new designs for Inman Square traffic on Lincoln Park neighborhoods, including any changes to MBTA service, and post this information as an FAQ on the city's website.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 204306 (ID:17030) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD contact the MBTA to confirm changes to Bus Route #91, then report back to this Board why they were made and how they will be communicated to residents.

K. Order

204307 (ID:17031) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD report to the MBTA the variation of routes drivers use for the #91 and #86 buses, and inquire as to the permanent routes the drivers should be using.

#### **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Order L. 204308

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:17032)

That the Director of SPCD commission a transportation study of the Union Square area to determine the current state of traffic, then present the findings at a community meeting.

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

M. Order

By Ald. McWatters 204392

(ID:17121)

That the Director of SPCD consider allowing a representative and/or resident from Prospect Hill to be involved in the selection of a Landscape Architect for the renovation of Prospect Hill Park.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

N. **Public**  Tufts University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.

Communication 204511 (ID:17232)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

O. **Public** 

(ID:17235)

Communication 204512

Harvard University submitting its Fall 2017 University Accountability report.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### 40. LEGISLATIVE MATTERS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204747

Report of the Committee on Legislative Matters, meeting on December 7, 2017.

(ID:17489)

Alderman Rossetti reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the proposed Community Benefits Committee, as well as strengthening the language regarding rodent eradication prior to development, and the tree preservation ordinance.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

B. Order 204748

(ID:17452)

By Ald. Rossetti

That the city's Interdepartmental Rodent Action Team submit to this Board, by January 11, 2018, its action plan to bait for rodents.

#### 41. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204749 Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, meeting on November 29, 2017.phps

(ID:17486)

Alderman Connolly reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed regulating Air BnBs.

RESULT: APPROVED

B. Order 202763 (ID:15464) By Ald. McLaughlin

That this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety determine the extent of soundproofing to be installed for the Green Line Extension.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 202776 (ID:15481)

By Ald. Connolly, and the Entire Board

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services, with the assistance of other departments as necessary, forward to this Board's Committee on Public Health and Safety a list of AirBnB-type lodging facilities in the city.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 202922 (ID:15627) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Director of Health and Human Services discuss with the Committee on Public Health and Safety, the plan for using any proceeds realized from medical marijuana facilities.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

E. Resolution 203801 (ID:16485) By Ald. Heuston, Davis

That the Administration establish a Pedestrian Safety Committee to promote pedestrian concerns and provide feedback from a pedestrian perspective.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 203988 (ID:16803) By Ald. Connolly

That the Mayor's Legislative Liaison and appropriate city staff attend a meeting of this Board's Public Health and Public Safety Committee to review Airbnb matters before the Committee.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Resolution 204463 (ID:17204) By Ald. Davis, Ballantyne, Lafuente

That the Administration revise applicable ordinances and policies to prevent construction crews from closing sidewalks unless accommodations for safe pedestrian passage have been made, including the presence of detail officers at mid-block crossings if needed.

December 14, 2017 H. Mayor's Conveying the Executive Policy on Surveillance Technology. Communication **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED 204403 (ID:17131) I. Order By Ald. Rossetti 204633 That the Director of Transportation and Infrastructure send copies of the planned January bicycle safety mailing to the Committee on Public Health and (ID:17430) Public Safety prior to mailing it to residents. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED J. Order By Ald. Rossetti 204634 That the Director of Health and Human Services provide the Committee on (ID:17431) Public Health and Safety with a report, within 30 days, on plans to use any proceeds realized from medical marijuana facilities. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED K. Resolution By Ald. McLaughlin 204635 That the Administration and the Chief of Police provide feedback on military (ID:17432) technology and weapons capability and capacity. WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** L. Resolution By Ald. Rossetti 204636 That the Administration discuss the issue of pedestrian and traffic safety as it (ID:17433) relates to sidewalk and roadway closings due to construction. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED Order M. By Ald. Ballantyne 204673 That the Director of Health and Human Services distribute the policy of medication distribution to children who are on field trips with the Public (ID:17428) Schools. **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

N. Order By Ald. Ballantyne 204674 That the Director of

204674 That the Director of Health and Human Services distribute the policy regarding (ID:17429) nurse coverage during after-school programs housed at the Public Schools.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order By Ald. Connolly 204750 That the City Solic

(ID:17440)

That the City Solicitor prepare a draft ordinance to address Airbnb rentals, including owner occupied properties, as discussed at the November 29, 2017 meeting of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

P. Order 204751

By Ald. Rossetti

204751 (ID:17441) That the Chief of Police appear before the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety by January 2018, with supporting documentation, to report on the shortage of detail officers.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

Q. Resolution 204752

(ID:17442)

By Ald. Connolly

That the Administration notify this Board and the public when the Executive Policy on Surveillance Technology is posted, within 120 days of the Mayor's gign of the National Polymers 2018

sign-off by early February 2018.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

# 42. PUBLIC UTILITIES AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

A. Committee Report 204753 (ID:17490) Report of the Committee on Public Utilities and Public Works, meeting on December 7, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported on the items discussed at the meeting. The Committee discussed the relationship between keeping schools open and declared snow emergencies. At this time, the Administration does not have any policy on this in writing.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

B. Order 197277 (ID:9826) By Ald. McWatters

That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility companies to remove the double pole on Cambria Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

C. Order 195521

(ID:8024)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD (ISD) implement a plan to address trash and code violations each May and September, when student moves have the greatest impact on the City.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

D. Order 195528 (ID:8032) By Ald. Sullivan, Bastardi, Heuston, Lafuente, White Jr., O'Keefe That this Board's Committee on Public Utilities and Works explore Boston's Code Ordinance CBC 9-1.3, which requires private rental units to be registered on an annual basis and inspections to be conducted for non-exempt units on a 5-year cycle.

E. Order 196186 (ID:8709) By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti, Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board whether it is possible to have the Public Schools open when there is a declared snow emergency, and, if it is possible, to also report the plan for teacher and staff parking, since school parking lots are used then for resident parking.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

F. Order 196302 (ID:8827) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the performance of the contractor who maintains the street lights, the terms of the contract and deliverables, and the process to ensure that street lights are maintained and operable.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

G. Order 196378 (ID:8908) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Director of SPCD and/or the Commissioner of Public Works notify property owners along lower Broadway of the five year moratorium on renovations to private sewer systems and encourage them to make appropriate plans.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

H. Resolution 196983 (ID:9569) By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Administration dedicate certain public buildings for community use.

## RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

I. Order 197238 (ID:9784) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan

That the City Engineer review drainage on Shore Drive, especially with storm water runoff during heavy rains, particularly at the corner of Shore Drive and Putnam Street, as well as the impact of development at Assembly Square on the sewer outflow line.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

J. Order 197428 (ID:9961) By Ald. Connolly, Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the depression in the roadway in the east bound lane on Broadway just past its intersection with School Street.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

K. Order 197489 (ID:10123) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board about how utilities inform residents about work on their streets, utility poles or power lines.

L. Resolution 197625

(ID:10180)

By Ald. White Jr.

That NStar Electric report to this Board on its preparations to insure sufficient power for the redevelopment of Union Square.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

M. Order 197724 (ID:10277) By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston, McWatters

That the Director of SPCD and the Commissioner of Public Works report to this Board on the development, staffing and cost of a program to maintain street trees and keep tree wells clean and weed-free, and/or a program to assist and inspire residents to do so.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

N. Resolution 197756

(ID:10316)

By Ald. Gewirtz

That the Administration report to this Board on its plan to implement the Tree Advisory Committee that is required by Ordinance 12-100, the Tree Preservation Ordinance.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

O. Order 198088 (ID:10646) By Ald. Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works investigate and report back on installing solar powered kiosks in our parks and playgrounds to communicate youth and family activities in our city.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

P. Order 198386 (ID:10956) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works update the Ward 5 Alderman on repairs to prevent pedestrians from tripping in the crosswalks at Linden Avenue on the south side of Summer Street, Aberdeen Road by Highland Avenue, and Hall Street by Cherry Street.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Q. Order 198444 (ID:11037) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report to this Board on the process for issuing citations during snowstorms to private plowing and shoveling contractors who are plowing snow into the street or onto neighbors' sidewalks.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

R. Order 199295 (ID:11892) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of SPCD discuss capitalizing on street repaving to bury utilities, beautify the city, and reduce the threat of power outages due to rain/snow/ice storms.

S. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

199547 That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD work with (ID:12123) Eversource to remove the unsafe telephone poles secured to rotting trees on

Woods Street at North Street, and on Barton Street at Broadway.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

T. Resolution By Ald. Heuston

199869 (ID:12495) That the Administration inform the Clark Street neighbors about the TV pipe testing which should have been performed in 2014.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

U. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199955 (ID:12575) That the Director of SPCD (Transportation) consider installing a bollard at the top of the stairs at the Community Path Extension by Lowell Street, to prevent people from accidentally tumbling down the stairs.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

V. Order By Ald. Niedergang

199956 (ID:12576) That the Commissioner of Public Works determine if the lighting at the Community Path Extension ramp and stairs by the Lowell Street bridge is sufficient, and if not, install more.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

W. Order By Ald. McLaughlin

200223 (ID:12850)

That the Commissioner of Public Works create clearly defined lines along Walnut Street, by Pearl Street and Broadway, to eliminate two lane traffic

problems.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR DISCUSSION FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

X. Order By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr.

200440 That the Director of Constituent Services appear before this Board's

(ID:13057) Committee on Public Utilities and Works with a written report on streetlamp

repairs citywide.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

Y. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

200637 (ID:13281) That the Director of SPCD provide all Ward Aldermen with the 2016 street paying plan for all Wards.

Z. Order 200645 (ID:13298) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works explain to this Board how to find out when a particular street is scheduled to be re-paved.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AA. Order 200680

By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente

That the Commissioner of Public Works appear before the Committee on Public Utilities and Works to address the assistance the City can provide for a city tree root that is growing into the basement of the home at 25 Meacham Street.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AB. Order

By Ald. Ballantyne

200874 (ID:13569)

(ID:13312)

That the Director of Capital Projects advise the Ward 7 Alderman of the start date and schedule for sewer/relining on Powderhouse Blvd.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AC. Order 200882 (ID:13579) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Supervisor of Inspectional Services report to this Board on the repair of the sidewalk that is collapsing on Vernon Street, and what precautions are being taken for public safety.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AD. Order 201007 (ID:13665) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of SPCD consider replacing the unused concrete bus shelter at Broadway and Cedar Street with a garden, small park or sitting area, and report back by 5/12/16.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AE. Order 201010

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:13668)

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the decorative lamppost that is missing from the stump at Old Magoun's Saloon in Magoun Square. (2nd request)

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AF. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

201012 (ID:13670) That the Director of SPCD install pigeon spikes underneath the Lowell Street bridge, above the Community Path Extension. (4th request)

AG. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

201144 (ID:13843) That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the disintegrating sidewalk at the entrance to the parking lot on Central Street used by the Cambridge Health Alliance, or require them to fix it if it is their responsibility.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AH. Order

By Ald. Davis

201270 (ID:13940) That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the options to adjust new LED street lighting, and the process to request such adjustments.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AI. Order 201303

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:13957)

That the Director of Engineering and/or the Supervisor of Inspectional Services provide address numbers to the properties on Chestnut Street and notify the property owners to display them on their buildings to facilitate identifying them.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AJ. Order 201319

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:13973)

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove trash from the north side of the Cambridge Health Alliance parking lot off Central Street and behind Junction Park, and post NO DUMPING signs there.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AK. Order 201423 (ID:14105) By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin, White Jr., Connolly, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the leaning utility pole at the East Somerville Community School on Glen Street.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AL. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

201473 (ID:14126) That the Commissioner of Public Works and/or the City Solicitor report to this Board on efforts to make the Albion Street sidewalk contractor repair the sidewalks or refund the City, and that the Commissioner of Public Works have

the sidewalks repaired and report to this Board on when that will happen.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AM. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

201499 (ID:14162) That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the Community Path between Cedar and Lowell Streets, and consider erecting a barrier to prevent erosion from the hill alongside the path.

AN.	Order 201504 (ID:14167)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works consider installing an additional street lamp near 27, 31 and 33 Winslow Avenue.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AO. Order 201586 (ID:14240) By Ald. White Jr., Lafuente, Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD and the Commissioner of Public Works consider creating shade at Grimmons Park and designing future parks with appropriate shade as well.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AP. Order 201618 (ID:14281) By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Engineering explain to this Board how to find out when a particular street is scheduled to be re-paved, or provide the city's street paving list. (3rd request)

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AQ. Order 201701 (ID:14386) By Ald. Sullivan, Lafuente, White Jr.

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the 3 raised sidewalk panels at 61 Dartmouth Street. (2nd request)

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AR. Order 201712

(ID:14382)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the brick walkway between Holland Street and College Avenue in Davis Square Plaza.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AS. Order 201713 (ID:14383)

By Ald. Connolly, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works inspect the damaged wall at 93 Pearson Road and take action to remedy the situation.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AT. Order 201767 (ID:14414) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

That the Superintendent of Inspectional Services direct Healey School staff to keep the grounds clean and properly dispose of trash, due to increased rodent activity around the school.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AU. Order 201771 (ID:14418) By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove all brush from the Mystic River along Shore Drive.

AV. Order 201778 (ID:14436) By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct Eversource to immediately remove the heavy plant overgrowth at the transfer station at Willow Avenue and Whipple Street.

### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AW. Order 201795

(ID:14453)

By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the Sacramento Street ramp that runs beneath the railroad tracks and confirm the regular maintenance schedule previously agreed to.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AX. Order 201797 (ID:14455) By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters

That the Director of Engineering add Porter Street, between Summer and Elm Streets, to the 5-year paving plan, and include the streets off the west side of Porter Street, especially Carver Street.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AY. Order 201826 (ID:14462) By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne, White Jr., Sullivan, Connolly That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the black hot topped sidewalk at 985-987 Broadway with concrete and explain why Eversource claims they

are not allowed to use concrete when replacing an opened sidewalk.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

AZ. Order 201906 (ID:14597) By Ald. McWatters, Niedergang

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the contractor who recently did work on Porter Street to repair and resurface the sink hole that is beginning to develop on Summer and Porter Streets.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BA. Order 202029 (ID:14694) By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD, the Director of Capital Planning, and the City Engineer create a timeline from September 2016 to September 2019 for streetscape reconstruction projects in Ward 2 and post the timeline on the city's website with continual updates as changes occur.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BB. Order 202032 (ID:14697)

By Ald. Heuston

That the City Engineer and the Director of SPCD report back to the Ward 2 Alderman on repairing the sidewalk on the Dane Street bridge and the wooden slats on the Webster Avenue/Newton Street Bridge, and on communications with the responsible State agencies.

BC. Order 202034 (ID:14699)

By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of SPCD add Avon Street to the paving list.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BD. Order 202082 (ID:14751) By Ald. Heuston, Ballantyne, Rossetti

That the Commissioner of Public Works, the Superintendent of Inspectional Services and the City Engineer report to this Board, the process for obtaining permission for a curb cut, including provisions made to ensure that the city's ordinances are followed.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BE. Order 202254 (ID:14935) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide a disposition for the replacement of a tree that was removed at 27 Dane Avenue, and explain why repeated requests for tree replacements through 311 have not been answered.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BF. Order 202266 (ID:14957)

By Ald. McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works provide an explanation for recycled trash being collected by non-recycling trash companies.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BG. Order 202305

By Ald. Sullivan, McLaughlin

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the tree at 151 Pearl Street.

(ID:14980)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BH. Order 202307 (ID:14982) By Ald. Ballantyne, Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works take the actions described within regarding the West Somerville Neighborhood School playground.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BI. Order 202333 (ID:15039)

By Ald. Niedergang, Heuston

That the City Engineer repair the concrete on the pedestrian and bicycle ramp under the railroad bridge on Sacramento Street between Somerville Avenue and Miller Street. (3rd request)

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BJ. Order 202334 (ID:15043) By Ald. Heuston

That the Commissioner of Public Works address the ongoing graffiti on the Sacramento Street underpass and use a product to cover graffiti more permanently, and improve the lighting there as well.

BK. Resolution

By Ald. Lafuente, White Jr., Sullivan

202724 (ID:15430) That the Superintendent of Schools look into how trash is kept at the Healy School, to prevent rodent activity.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BL. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

202727 (ID:15433) That the Commissioner of Public Works work with the Mayor, Representative Provost and Senator Jehlen to get the appropriate state agency to clean state-owned trash-filled land on the east and west sides of the Central Street Bridge.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BM. Resolution 202731

By Ald. McWatters

That the Administration consider providing a sprinkler and irrigation system for Prospect Hill Park.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BN. Order

By Ald. Heuston

202765 (ID:15458)

(ID:15437)

That the City Engineer and the Commissioner of Public Works implement an accessible pedestrian walkway on Poplar Street, surrounding ARTFARM, in anticipation of its future development.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BO. Order

By Ald. Heuston

202773 (ID:15479) That the Director of SPCD update this Board on the Beacon Street reconstruction project with a timeline and significant design changes.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BP. Order 202774

By Ald. Heuston

(ID:15480)

That the Director of SPCD request information from MA DOT about the jersey barriers and asphalt triangle at McGrath Highway, approaching the overpass, and request that the space be converted to permeable green space if there are no further changes planned for the intersection.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

BQ. Resolution 202784 (ID:15488)

By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Administration develop a policy for temporary crosswalk painting or other measures to protect pedestrians when road work or other conditions prevent the immediate re-striping of road markings.

			December 14, 2017
BR.	Order 202873 (ID:15577)	By Ald. McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the sidewalk panel Highland Avenue, from the Veteran's Honor Roll to Putnam Avenu	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BS. Order 202934 (ID:15645)		By Ald. McWatto That the Director resurfacing list.	ers of SPCD consider placing Pitman Street on the 2017 street
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
3T.	Resolution 203270 (ID:15980)	That the Adminis	ers, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr. stration inform this Board of an action plan for the parking lot School, as parked vehicles obstruct the basketball court.
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BU.	Order 203282 (ID:15991)	By Ald. Heuston, McWatters That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the Union Square busine sign behind the SCAT building and install a "Welcome to Union Square there as well.	
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BV. Resolution 203361 (ID:16063)		and Sewer respon	ne stration, the City Solicitor and the Superintendent of Water and to a letter dated November 16, 2016 disputing St. James's h's water and sewer bills.
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BW. Order 203370 (ID:16075)			ne ssioner of Public Works replace the burnt out light bulbs in the lights in Teele Square.
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BX. Order 203450 (ID:16163)		• •	ne gineer inspect the intersection of Ware Street and Russell Il Road from #s 7 to 35, for the potential of more sink holes.
		RESULT:	WORK COMPLETED
BY.	Resolution	By Ald. Heuston	

203491

(ID:16220)

**RESULT:** 

That the Administration facilitate the replacement of the wooden slats that

provide the pedestrian foundation on the Webster Avenue Bridge.

WORK COMPLETED

BZ. Order 203496 (ID:16202) By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr.

That the Director of Engineering determine why the repaving job on Pitman Street between Belmont and Spring Streets is in its present condition, and why sink holes are now causing issues on the street.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CA. Order 203510

(ID:16222)

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Engineering install the four curb cuts near Maxwell's Green that the city has committed to installing, and notify the Ward 5 Alderman of the timeline for their installation.

# RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CB. Order 203514 (ID:16226)

By Ald. Connolly, Sullivan, Rossetti, White Jr., Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works remove the overgrowth from the rock outcrop behind the field house at Powderhouse Park, extending to the pedestrian walkway.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CC. Order 203724 (ID:16446)

By Ald. McWatters, Rossetti, White Jr., Connolly, Sullivan That the Director of SPCD consider placing a bump-out at the corner of Lowell and Summer Streets.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CD. Order 203794 (ID:16496) By Ald. McWatters

That the Director of Water and Sewers repair the depression around the sewer at the corner of Porter and Summer Streets.

# **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CE. Order 203797 (ID:16491) By Ald. Niedergang, Davis

That the Director of Water and Sewers repair the storm drain/catch basin that is sinking below the street surface on the south side of Kidder Avenue, by the Brown School near Willow Avenue.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CF. Order 203803 (ID:16483)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD coordinate with the Director of Traffic and Parking on all parking restrictions related to park and other construction projects, to ensure ample notice of parking restrictions to neighbors.

CG. Order By Ald. Ballantyne 203833

That the Commissioner of Public Works direct the appropriate utility to (ID:16582)

remove the suspended double pole at 4 Howard Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CH. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

> That the Director of SPCD prioritize Cameron Avenue for repaving. 203835

(ID:16584) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CI. By Ald. Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., Niedergang, Davis Order 203862 That the Commissioner of Public Works and Arborist implement an inspection (ID:16579)

and maintenance schedule to prevent the accumulation of trash, invasive plants, trees and weeds along the entire Community Path.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CJ. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin

203872 That the Building Department not issue any demolition permits until a rodent elimination program has been completed by the applicant, and provide an (ID:16596) explanation to this Board whenever a permit is issued without a completed

program.

(ID:16597)

WORK COMPLETED **RESULT:** 

CK. Order By Ald. Sullivan, Connolly, Rossetti, White Jr., McLaughlin

203873 That the Director of SPCD repave Otis Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

CL. Order By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Director of Engineering inspect the 41 Elmwood Street area for 203947 (ID:16642) continual water and sewage flooding when severe rain storms occur.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CM. Order By Ald. Rossetti, McWatters, Niedergang, Ballantyne

203964 That all future Eversource requests be tabled by this Board until a signed

commitment for better communication by Eversource is enacted. (ID:16683)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

CN. Order By Ald. McWatters

203970 That the Commissioner of Public Works inform this Board of the city's new policies for utility companies to remove double poles and address low hanging (ID:16785)

wires.

CO. Resolution 203983 (ID:16799)

By Ald. Niedergang, Rossetti

That the Mayor report to this Board by August 31, 2017 on ways to improve the poor communications from Eversource to residents around gas meter replacement, street construction, and other utility work. (2nd request)

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CP. Resolution 204219 (ID:16927)

By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti, McWatters

That the Administration submit a funding proposal for a Priority Streets contract to address sidewalk panels that need replacement.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CQ. Order 204220 (ID:16928) By Ald. Heuston

That the Water Director clean all of the catch basins on Somerville Avenue.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CR. Resolution 204240 (ID:16957)

By Ald. Davis, Niedergang

That the Administration update this Board on a process to notify utilities in advance when streets will be opened, so gas leaks can be addressed, including the date and location of notifications that have been provided in the past year.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CS. Order 204354 (ID:17084) By Ald. Ballantyne

That the Commissioner of Public Works replace the removed tree stump at 6 Barton Street with a tree.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CT. Order 204361 (ID:17090) By Ald. Heuston, Connolly, and the Entire Board

That MA DOT, Newport Construction and all other parties with knowledge of the cutting down of trees on Beacon Street on October 6, without any public notice, appear before this Board at its next regular meeting to respond to concerns about the surprise tree removal.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

CU. Order 204362 (ID:17096) By Ald. Heuston, Sullivan

That the Director of SPCD work with Mass DOT to cease all work on the Beacon Street reconstruction project until a full report on the removal of trees from the street is received and presented to this Board and until city staff is assigned day to day responsibility for oversight.

RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

# CV. Resolution 204363 (ID:17094)

By Ald. Heuston, and the Entire Board

The Administration assign or hire city staff to oversee the daily operations of contractor and utility company activity for the Beacon Street reconstruction project, and adopt a policy of such oversight for every state funded street reconstruction project going forward.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### CW. Order 204365 (ID:17095)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of SPCD estimate for this Board the cost to move overhead wires underground on Beacon Street from Washington to Hampshire Streets, identify potential funding sources, and discuss the feasibility and impact of such an endeavor on the current Beacon Street project.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### CX. Order 204366 (ID:17097)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation instruct the contractor for the Lincoln Park reconstruction to put up tarps or mesh shields to protect residents of Fremont and Parker Streets from dirt blowing into their houses during construction.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### CY. Order 204367 (ID:17099)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation report back to this Board whether chain link fencing was represented in the original plans for Lincoln Park.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### CZ. Order 204368 (ID:17100)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Parks and Recreation report back to this Board on whether the intensity of the excavation at Lincoln Park was factored into construction plans, and what steps will be taken to evaluate its impact on properties abutting the park.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

## DA. Order 204370

(ID:17101)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Water and Sewer inform this Board whether it is protocol to notify residents of excessive water usage on their property, the means by which that is done, and the recourse residents have if they were not notified.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

#### DB. Order 204371 (ID:17102)

By Ald. Heuston

That the Director of Water and Sewer explain to this Board any customer service offered to residents who question their water bills.

#### RESULT: WORK COMPLETED

DC. Officer's Communication Street.

City Engineer responding to #203947 re: recurring flooding on Elmwood

204446 (ID:17077)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

DD. Officer's DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 10/12/17.

Communication 204506 (ID:17169)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

DE. Resolution 204528

By Ald. Davis

(ID:17263)

Requesting the Administration to compile contact information for all utilities, for reporting such issues as low hanging wires and gas leaks, and make it easily accessible on the city's website.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

DF. Order 204546 By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:17281)

That the Commissioner of Public Works post "NO DUMPING" signs, with the amount of the fine, on the north edge of the Cambridge Health Alliance parking lot on Central Street. (2nd request)

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

DG. Order By Ald. Niedergang

204549 (ID:17284) That the City Engineer, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the Water Director repair the pavement on Carver Street.

**RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

Officer's DH.

Director of Water and Sewer responding to #204370 re: residential Communication notifications for excessive water use.

204583 (ID:17289)

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

Officer's DI. Communication questioned water bills.

Director of Water and Sewer responding to #204371 re: customer service for

204584 (ID:17290)

**RESULT:** 

WORK COMPLETED

DJ. Officer's Communication

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/9/17.

204665 (ID:17312) **RESULT:** WORK COMPLETED

#### 43. TRAFFIC AND PARKING COMMITTEE

Α. Committee Report 204754

(ID:17488)

Report of the Committee on Traffic and Parking, meeting on November 30, 2017.

Alderman McWatters reported due to the lack of a Quorum, there was no meeting.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR

44. Mayor's Request 204755 (ID:17334) Requesting the transfer of a City-owned parcel (82-D-1) in the North Prospect Block to the Redevelopment Authority.

**RESULT:** 

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

45. Mayor's Request 204756 (ID:17445) Requesting an appropriation and authorization to borrow \$1,500,000 in a bond for Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement, as part of the Capital Improvement Program.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Finance Committee **FOLLOWUP:** 

46. Mayor's Request 204757 (ID:17446) Requesting approval of a transfer of \$9,500 in Planning and Zoning, from the Professional Services Account to the Personal Services Salaries Account, for a temporary hire due to a medical leave.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 46 through 47 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

47. Mayor's Request 204758 (ID:17439) Requesting approval to pay prior year invoices totaling \$7,747.68 using available funds in the Sewer Department.

REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION RESULT:

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

48. Mayor's Request 204759 (ID:17443)

Requesting acceptance of a \$30,000 grant with no new match required, from the MA Department of Environmental Protection to the Office of Sustainability & Environment for school recycling equipment and implementation assistance.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 48 through 51 and refer them to the Finance Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

Finance Committee FOLLOWUP:

49. Mayor's Request 204760 (ID:17465) Requesting acceptance of an \$8,700 grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging, for transportation.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

50. Mayor's Request 204761 (ID:17467) Requesting acceptance of a \$7,816 grant with no new match required, from Somerville Cambridge Elder Services to the Council on Aging, for health and wellness programs.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

51. Mayor's Request 204762 (ID:17466) Requesting the acceptance of a 27-foot Boston Whaler and corresponding trailer, given to the Police Department by the Boston Police Department, with no match required.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

52. Mayor's Request 204763 (ID:17498) Requesting the re-appointment of Alan Bishop as Constable.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 52 through 56 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. Later, this vote was reconsidered and the Board approved these re-appointments, so the City would have licensed constables to start the new year.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

53. Mayor's Request 204764 (ID:17499) Requesting the re-appointment of Catello Battinelli II as Constable.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

54. Mayor's Request 204765 (ID:17500) Requesting the re-appointment of Mary Battinelli as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

55. Mayor's Request 204766 (ID:17501) Requesting the re-appointment of Michael Browne as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

56. Mayor's Request 204767 (ID:17502) Requesting the re-appointment of Berlin Haynes as Constable.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

#### COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS

57. Officer's Communication Somerville Report 2017.

Director of Health and Human Services submitting The Wellbeing of

204768 (ID:17453)

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 57 through 59 and place them on file. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

58. Officer's Communication Powder House Blvd.

City Engineer responding to #204531 re: Eversource communications on

204769 (ID:17424)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

59. Officer's Communication 204770

(ID:17422)

DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 11/21/17.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

60. License/Permit 204771 (ID:17503)

Transferring Taxi Medallion License, Med #61 from My Cab Inc to Ike Inc, Med #78 from Jeko Cab Inc to Ike Inc, and Med #92 from Love Cab Inc to Ike

Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 60 through 68 and approve them, except item 63 which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

61. License/Permit

New Drainlayer's License, Environic Solutions.

204772 (ID:17504)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

62. 204773 (ID:17505)

License/Permit New Dog Kennel License, Riverdog Daycare, 321 Somerville Ave, 30 dogs maximum, commercial boarding/training.

> **RESULT: APPROVED**

63. License/Permit 204774 (ID:17506)

New Billiards and Bowling License, Parise's Cafe, 97 Washington St, 1 pool table.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

64. 204775

License/Permit Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Boston Burger Company, 37 Davis Sq.

(ID:17507)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

65.		Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Pizzeria Posto, 187 Elm St.		
	204776 (ID:17508)	RESULT:	APPROVED	
66.	License/Permit 204777 (ID:17509)	Renewing Outdoor Assembly Row.	Seating License, Tony C's Sports Bar and Grill, 699	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
67.	License/Permit 204778 (ID:17510)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Soundbites, 704 Broadway.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
68.		Renewing Automat Revolution Dr.	ic Amusement Devices License, Lucky Strike, 325	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
69.		MA DOT Manager of Service Planning responding to #204536 re: an additional bus shelter under the Washington St overpass.		
		RESULT: FOLLOWUP:	PLACED ON FILE Traffic and Parking Committee	
70.	Public Communication 204781 (ID:17513)		ne Noise Ombudsman responding to #203920 re: Logan air	
			ri requested to waive the readings of items 70 through 78 if lie. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.  PLACED ON FILE	
71.			omerville submitting comments re: #204364, proposed e Preservation ordinance.	
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
		FOLLOWUP:	Legislative Matters Committee	
72.	Public Communication 204783 (ID:17519)	25 residents submit	ting comments re: #204438, the Union Sq DIF bond.	
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
73.	Public Communication 204784 (ID:17520)	41 residents submitting comments re: #204438, the Union Sq DIF bond.		
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
74.	Public	Jobs for Somerville	nity Corp's Affordable Housing Organizing Committee and submitting comments re: #204399, #204400, #204524, and for affordable housing and jobs linkage fees.	
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	

75. Public

Mellissa McWhinney submitting comments re: #204399, #204400, #204524, Communication and #204525, proposals for affordable housing and jobs linkage fees.

204786 (ID:17522)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

76. Public

Stephen Mackey submitting comments re: #204399, #204400, #204524, and Communication #204525, proposals for affordable housing and jobs linkage fees.

204787 (ID:17523)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

77. Public

Anosha Siripala submitting comments re: #204399, #204400, #204524, and Communication #204525, proposals for affordable housing and jobs linkage fees.

204788 (ID:17524)

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

78. Public 204789

(ID:17525)

Jacob Kramer submitting comments re: #204399, #204400, #204524, and Communication #204525, proposals for affordable housing and jobs linkage fees.

**RESULT:** PLACED ON FILE

#### SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

79. Citation 204790 (ID:17564) By Ald. McLaughlin, the Entire Board and the Mayor

Commending Karen Narefsky, who is leaving the Somerville Community Corporation after 10 productive years as a Community Organizer, tirelessly advocating for workers' rights, affordable housing, and development without displacement.

Alderman McLaughlin will present this Citation at a later date.

**APPROVED RESULT:** 

80. Order 204791

(ID:17515)

By Ald. Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works and/or the Director of Traffic and Parking install a second crosswalk at the intersection of College Avenue with Kidder Avenue and Summit Street, with additional pedestrian safety measures.

Alderman Davis requested to waive the readings of items 80 through 81 and refer them to the Traffic and Parking Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

81. Order 204792 (ID:17514) By Ald. Davis

That the Commissioner of Public Works and/or the Director of Traffic and Parking install an overhead Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at the crosswalk at the West Branch Library, with bump-outs on either side of the crosswalk.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee 82. Ordinance

rdinance By Ald. Davis

204793 (ID:17517) That Ordinance 9-116(3) be amended as described within with respect to activities restricted under the Noise Ordinance.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

83. Resolution

By Ald. Davis

204794 (ID:17518) That the Administration revise the Snow Emergency policy to prohibit parking in school lots, so the School Department can make independent decisions regarding school closings and delays.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

FOLLOWUP: Housing and Community Development Committee

84. Order 204795

By Ald. Niedergang

That the Director of Traffic and Parking install flashing YIELD TO

(ID:17533) PEDESTRIAN signs at the crosswalk by the Kennedy School on Elm Street.

Alderman Niedergang requested to waive the readings of items 84 through 86 and refer them to the Traffic and Parking Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

85. Order

By Ald. Niedergang

204796 Th (ID:17534) St

That the Director of SPCD consider painting two new crosswalks on Elm Street near the Kennedy School, and discuss these and other traffic-calming measures there with the Ward 5 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

86. Order 204797

By Ald. Niedergang

(ID:17535)

That the Director of SPCD consider painting crosswalks and speed bumps in the parking lot by the Kennedy School, and discuss these and other traffic-

calming measures with the Ward 5 Alderman.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

87. Communication By Ald. Rossetti

204798

Reporting on the High School building project.

(ID:17532)

The High School building project will begin issuing a monthly report on activity.

RESULT: PLACED ON FILE

88. Mayor's Request 204799 (ID:17530) Requesting the appointment of Michael Kennelly to the position of Police Lieutenant.

Alderman Heuston requested to waive the readings of items 88 through 94 and refer them to the Confirmation of Appointments Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved. Later, with respect to items 93 through 94, this vote was reconsidered and the Board approved these reappointments, so the City would have licensed constables to start the new year.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

89. Mayor's Request 204800 (ID:17531) Requesting the appointment of Michael Kiely to the position of Police Lieutenant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

90. Mayor's Request 204801 (ID:17527) Requesting the appointment of Michael McCarey to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

91. Mayor's Request 204802 (ID:17528) Requesting the appointment of Sean Sylvester to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

92. Mayor's Request 204803 (ID:17529) Requesting the appointment of James Slattery to the position of Police Sergeant.

RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Confirmation of Appointments and Personnel Matters

Committee

93. Mayor's Request 204804 (ID:17536) Requesting the re-appointment of James DiFraia as Constable.

**RESULT:** APPROVED

94. Mayor's Request 204805 (ID:17537) Requesting the re-appointment of Darcy Haynes as Constable.

RESULT: APPROVED

95. 204806 (ID:17538)

License/Permit New Extended Operating Hours License, Dumpling Kitchen, 217 Highland Ave, Opening for take-out and delivery service only, Sun-Thu to 2AM and Fri-Sat to 2:30AM.

> Alderman Sullivan requested to waive the readings of items 95 through 120 and approve them, except for item 95, which should be sent to the Licenses and Permits Committee. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**RESULT:** REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

96. License/Permit 204807 (ID:17539)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Mercedes Benz of Boston, 259 McGrath Hwy.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

97. License/Permit 204808

(ID:17540)

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 1, Smart Center Boston, 257 McGrath Hwy.

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

98. License/Permit 204809

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 480 Columbia St.

(ID:17541)

**RESULT:** APPROVED

99. License/Permit 204810

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Nissenbaum Auto Parts, 0 Windsor St.

(ID:17542)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

100. License/Permit 204811

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 3, Ed's Used Auto Parts, 516 Columbia St.

(ID:17543)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

101. License/Permit 204812

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Green Automotive, 600 Windsor

(ID:17544)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

License/Permit 102. 204813

Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Alewife Automotive, 395 Alewife Brook Pkwy.

(ID:17545)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

103. 204814

License/Permit Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, L and S Truck Sales, 40 Joy St.

(ID:17546)

**RESULT: APPROVED** 

104.	License/Permit 204815 (ID:17547)	Renewing Used Car Dealers License Class 2, Automotive Transport Service, 495 Columbia St.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
105.	License/Permit 204816 (ID:17548)	Renewing Used Ca Hwy.	r Dealers License Class 2, Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
106.	License/Permit 204817 (ID:17549)		r Dealers License Class 2, Gene Automotive, 56 Joy St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
107.	License/Permit 204818 (ID:17550)	Renewing Used Ca  RESULT:	r Dealers License Class 2, Teele Sq Auto, 1284 Broadway.  APPROVED	
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108.	License/Permit 204819 (ID:17551)	Renewing Used Ca Mystic Ave.	r Dealers License Class 2, Hillside Service Center, 45	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
109.	License/Permit 204820 (ID:17552)	Renewing Used Ca Bailey Rd.	r Dealers License Class 2, Motorcycles and More, 109	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
110.	License/Permit 204821 (ID:17553)	Renewing Used Ca Broadway.	r Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Auto Sales, 525	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
111.	License/Permit 204822 (ID:17554)		r Dealers License Class 2, Leins Auto Repair, 69 Bow St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
112.	License/Permit 204823 (ID:17555)	Renewing Used Ca St.	r Dealers License Class 2, Master Used Cars, 121 Prospect	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
113.	License/Permit 204824 (ID:17556)	Renewing Used Ca Broadway.	r Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Sunoco, 258	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
114.	204825		r Dealers License Class 2, Broadway Brake, 45 Broadway.	
	(ID:17557)	RESULT:	APPROVED	

115.	License/Permit 204826 (ID:17558)	Renewing Used Ca	nr Dealers License Class 2, Aris Auto, 3 Craigie St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
116.	License/Permit 204827 (ID:17559)	Renewing Used Ca Somerville Ave.	ar Dealers License Class 2, John's Auto Sales, 181	
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED	
117.	License/Permit 204828 (ID:17560)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, Oat Shop, 20 College Ave.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
118.	License/Permit 204829 (ID:17561)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, The Juice Union, 23A Bow St.	
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
119.	License/Permit 204830 (ID:17562)	Renewing Outdoor	Seating License, The Independent, 75 Union Sq.	
		<b>RESULT:</b>	APPROVED	
120.	License/Permit 204831 (ID:17563)	Renewing Outdoor Seating License, Brass Union, 66 Union Sq.		
		RESULT:	APPROVED	
	LATE ITEMS			
121.	Officer's Communication 204832 (ID:17569)	SomerStat Analyst submitting rodent management research and data analysis findings and takeaways.		
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
		FOLLOWUP:	Rodent Issues Special Committee	
122.	Public Communication 204833	14 residents submitting comments re: #204438, the Union Sq DIF bond.		
		RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE	
123.	(ID:17566)  123. Communication By Ald. White Jr. 204834 In his capacity as President, cancelling the Regular meeting of t (ID:17565) was scheduled for December 28, 2017.			
		<b>RESULT:</b>	PLACED ON FILE	

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:20 PM.